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### CHINA OUTBURST AT GENEVA.

#### ATTACK ON BRITAIN AND JAPAN.

#### CONTROL OF DRUGS IN THE CONCESSIONS DEMANDED.

#### POLITICAL GESTURE.

Geneva, Jan. 25.  
A vigorous outburst by Wang King-ki, the Chinese delegate, directed largely at Britain and Japan, enlivened the proceedings at today's session of the Opium Commission of the League of Nations, the chairman being forced to intervene.

Mr. Wang King-ki, who had previously demanded that China should be given the task of repressing the illicit drug traffic in all territories in China whether they were Concessions or Leased Territories, evoked a spirited debate regarding his remarks, which he refused to retract.

#### China's Demands.

The Chinese delegate began by offering the Opium Commission the "sincere and devoted co-operation of a united China" in its efforts to combat the illicit traffic in drugs, but he demanded an absolute prohibition of opium smoking in possessions of the interested Powers in the Far East, and also that the task of repressing the illicit traffic within the Concessions and Leased Territories etc. should be handed over to the Chinese authorities.

Mr. Wang King-ki went on to make pointed reference to certain historical incidents in the Far East, eventually mentioning Britain and Japan specifically.

#### Chairman Intervenes.

This attack called forth the intervention of the Chairman, who gave Mr. Wang King-ki a warning against the introduction of politics into a debate on opium.

Subsequently, the question arose of the insertion of Wang King-ki's declarations in the minutes.

This provoked a spirited debate. Sir Malcolm Delevingne, the British delegate, supported by Viscount Sato, the Japanese representative, proposed the insertion of the statement without the political passages.

Wang King-ki declined to retract, intimating that if China was not free to make her voice heard at Geneva she would not remain a member of the League.

The discussion of this particular question was adjourned.

#### Contraband Operations.

Later, what was described as the most serious case of contraband drug operations was mentioned to the Opium Commission, relating to the Naerden Factory at Rotterdam.

The Dutch report stated that the factory held a licence and received drugs from various countries, particularly Germany and Switzerland, and re-exported them throughout the world, especially to China and the rest of the Far East.

Sir Malcolm Delevingne stated that one Bale firm exported over 3,500 pounds of heroin to Holland in the year 1927.

#### "Sad Affair."

Dr. Carriere, the Swiss delegate, detailed the safeguards adopted by his Government, who he agreed might have been imprudent. He declared, however, that the responsibility for the "sad affair" in no way rested solely with Switzerland.

Sir John Campbell (India) said he had never regarded Switzerland as the only, or even the principal, culprit.—*Reuter*.

### ITALIAN NAVAL BUILDING.

#### BIG CRUISERS AUTHORISED BY CABINET.

Rome, Jan. 25.  
The Cabinet has decided to commence construction in June of two 10,000-ton cruisers, two flotilla leaders, four destroyers and five submarines.—*Reuter*.

### JAPAN AGREES TO NEW TARIFF.

#### DEADLOCK OVER THE TSINAN INCIDENT.

#### NEED OF SETTLEMENT.

Nanking, Jan. 25.  
It is learned, from a reliable source, that the Japanese Government is shortly forwarding a Note to the National Government acknowledging the receipt of the new Tariff Schedule and agreeing to its enforcement.

Dr. C. T. Wang and Mr. Yoshizawa were again in conference to-day, and it is learned from authoritative sources that both agreed that the failure to settle the Tsinan incident had caused a deadlock in Sino-Japanese relations, and that unless the incident can be settled, it will be impossible for them to discuss other outstanding issues.—*Reuter*.

Nanking, Jan. 25.  
The Japanese Minister to China, Mr. Yoshizawa, conferred with the Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, for three hours this morning in connexion with the settlement of outstanding Sino-Japanese issues. It is understood that the meeting was not an official conference.

According to a Chinese report, there are 6,000 Japanese troops still in Shantung Province, and the Chinese Foreign Minister remains firm in his demand for evacuation.

Earlier in the morning, Mr. Tai Chi-lan, a member of the State Council, paid a visit to Mr. Yoshizawa.

It is understood that Mr. Yoshizawa has indicated to the Chinese Foreign Minister that he desires that in future the conferences shall take place in Shanghai.

### COLONIAL VETERINARY SERVICE.

#### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS BIG NEW SCHEME.

London, Jan. 25.  
A comprehensive scheme of co-ordination and reorganisation, which will eventually make the Colonial Veterinary Service a first-class service attracting young men with a scientific bent of mind, is laid down in the report of a Committee presided over by Lord Lovat to enquire into veterinary research administration in the non-self-governing Colonies.

The report recommends the establishment of a School of Tropical Veterinary Science in London, to be modelled on the lines of the School of Tropical Medicine, and also a "pivotal" Central Research Station in the tropics, preferably in East Africa.—*Reuter*.

### ROAD SCHEME FOR SHA TAU KOK.

#### BIG IMPROVEMENT TO BE CARRIED OUT.

The Government is inviting tenders for widening the existing road between Fanling and Sha Tau Kok upon the removal of the railway and for levelling the strip of land now occupied by the railway. The work comprises:

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### FINAL FRENCH TRADE FIGURES.

#### IMPORTS UP AND EXPORTS DOWN.

Paris, Jan. 25.  
The final French trade figures for the year, 1928, reveal that imports were valued at 63,448,000,000 francs, and exports at 51,346,000,000.

These figures compare with 53,049,000,000 francs and 54,924,000,000 francs respectively in 1927.

Imports have increased, it will be seen, by 899,000,000 francs, while exports have dropped by 3,578,000,000 francs.—*Havas*.

### PIRACY SCARE AT WHAMPOA.

#### BRITISH-INDIA BOAT THREATENED.

#### GUARDS OPEN FIRE ON GANG ABOARD SAMPAHS.

#### GUNBOAT SUMMONED.

Canton, Jan. 25.  
A piracy scare, involving the British India Steam Navigation Company's steamer Shirala, has just occurred off Whampoa, necessitating the firing of shots by the officers of the ship when a gang of would-be pirates sought to approach the vessel under cover of darkness.

The Shirala, commanded by Captain F. J. G. Diamond, came up to Whampoa with a cargo of 1,600 tons of coal, she being the first B. I. ship to visit the port. She is also one of the biggest boats to have called there.

Owing to the length of the steamer, the Captain thought it advisable not to enter the harbour limits at Whampoa, and he accordingly anchored about half a mile below the port.

#### Anonymous Threat.

Not long after the ship moored, an anonymous letter was received on board threatening a piracy, and it is reported that on receipt of this, the Captain, who had not had any previous experience of Canton Delta pirates, immediately armed all the ship's officers. He is also said to have detained in the ship's hold eight cargo coolies who had come on board, no doubt fearing that they might be in collusion with the pirates.

A further precaution was taken by the despatch of a wireless message to Canton asking for the services of a British gunboat, to stand by the threatened ship. Accordingly, H. M. S. Tarantula left for Whampoa at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, arriving alongside the Shirala about an hour later.

#### Dozen Shots Fired.

In the meantime, the Captain had surrounded the Shirala with powerful searchlights, with the object of keeping a sharp look-out for any pirates who might attempt to approach the steamer.

Subsequently, a number of sampans began to drift slowly towards the Shirala, and as these split into two parties the Captain deemed it wise to take action. He accordingly ordered his guard to open fire. About a dozen shots were fired in all, most of them over the heads of the would-be pirates, with what result is not known.

#### Firing Returned.

It is stated, however, that at least one shot was returned. Eventually, the sampans made off, and all was quiet when the Tarantula arrived on the scene. The gunboat stood by until Thursday morning, when the Shirala sailed for Hongkong, after which the warship returned to Canton.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

### HANKOW ISSUE TO BE SETTLED?

#### BOTH SIDES NOW ORDER NEGOTIATIONS.

Nanking, Jan. 25.  
The National Foreign Ministry has instructed the Hankow Commissioner for Foreign Affairs to the effect that as all the evidence in connexion with the killing by a Japanese cyclist of a Chinese coolie is available in Hankow it is advisable that negotiations should be carried out with the Japanese Consular authorities.

The Shanghai Japanese Consulate officials have also wired to Hankow asking the Consular authorities there to open negotiations with the Chinese.

Yesterday a Japanese steamer arrived at Hani Ju from Shanghai bringing provisions and foodstuffs to Japanese nationals inside the Concession.

The Japanese police have made an attempt to persuade the Chinese traders inside the Concession to resume their businesses, but the Chinese are still adopting a waiting attitude.

### THE KING.

#### PRACTICALLY OUT OF DANGER.

#### NOW SUFFERING ONLY FROM WEAKNESS.

#### INFECTION DISPELLED.

London, Jan. 25.  
To-day's bulletin concerning the King's illness contained one of the most reassuring signs yet noted. While stating that the improvement in His Majesty's condition continued, it added that a bacteriological examination showed the right chest was now free of the infecting organism.

The fact that the examination has shown that the organism which caused the infection has now disappeared from the right side of the chest, where it had been centred, means that the King is now suffering only from weakness resulting from the disease and that there is no longer any trouble from the infection.

With this removed, the King's progress, it is hoped, may continue to be steady.

This news has increased the optimism which has been growing in palace circles since the issue of the last bulletin at noon on Tuesday in which the doctors recorded their belief that sea air would be good for His Majesty.

To-day's bulletin gives rise to the hope that the date of the King's departure for Bognor will be settled within the next few days. It is understood that the King will remain at Craigwell House at least until after Easter. Craigwell House has been rented for the King for three months. The length of stay will depend to a large extent on the progress the King makes while he is at the seaside.

The actual day of departure for Bognor will depend on the weather.—*British Wireless and Reuter*.

### TWO LOCAL CHINESE ESTATES.

#### COMPRADORE LEAVES OVER \$22,000.

Hongkong estate to the value of \$22,100 was left by Pang Shu-ming, formerly compradore to Messrs. Gilman and Company, Hongkong, who died intestate at No. 22, Kowloon Tong, at the age of 45 years on July 14, 1928. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Pang Pun-shi, residing at the Kowloon Tong address. Deceased is survived by four sons, four daughters and a concubine, in addition to the widow.

Letters of administration in respect of the estate of Chong Shee, widow, who died intestate at Kukulhae, Hawaii, on or about December 22, 1927, have been granted to Mr. D. J. Lewis, of Johnson, Stokes and Master, who is the attorney of a son, Mr. E. Akioka of Hawaii. Local estate amounts to \$13,500.

### AMERICAN DEMOCRAT LEADER DEAD.

#### MR. OSCAR UNDERWOOD OF ALABAMA.

Washington, Jan. 25.  
The death has occurred of the former Senator for Alabama, Mr. Oscar Underwood. A keen Democrat and a lawyer, he was 66 years of age.

He was Democratic leader of the Senate in 1920, and Commissioner Plenipotentiary for the United States at the international conference for the limitation of armaments at Washington in 1921.—*Reuter's American Service*.

### PLAGUE EPIDEMICS RECALLED.

#### DEATH OF GREAT WORKER IN THE FAR EAST.

Warsaw, Jan. 25.  
The death has occurred of Dr. Bogucki, who will be remembered for his magnificent social work during the plague epidemics in the Far East before the Great War.—*Reuter*.

### UNEMPLOYED RIOT IN CAPETOWN.

#### AN UNRULY MOB SACKS FOOD SHOPS.

#### MOUNTED POLICE QUELL THE DISTURBANCE.

#### PARLIAMENT OPENING.

Capetown, Jan. 25.  
An unruly mob of unemployed created serious havoc in a poor quarter of Capetown to-day, following a demonstration in front of Government House. They had presented the Earl of Athlone, the Governor-General, with a petition, and received a courteous reply.

The trouble developed after the mob had withdrawn into a poorer district, when they got out of hand and entered a number of shops, smashing the stock in trade and wrecking the premises.

The riot was only quelled when a large squad of mounted police appeared on the scene.

The unemployed demonstration synchronised with the opening of Parliament, and developed into a dangerous disturbance only after the large crowd had marched in procession through the streets.

#### Wanton Destruction.

Unruly elements in the mob eventually incited the remainder to violence. A number of bakers' shops were sacked, and dozens of other shop premises were badly damaged. Apparently, the object of the invaders was not to loot the premises. They indulged in wanton damage.

A policeman who attempted to interfere was badly mauled by the crowd and was picked up unconscious when reinforcements arrived. Mounted police quelled the outbreak.

The disturbance occurred after approximately three hundred unemployed, representing the larger body, had gone to Government House and handed to the Governor-General's secretary, a petition signed by over a thousand unemployed.

#### Earl's Intimation.

The deputation then marched in procession through the city, after which a letter from the Earl of Athlone's secretary was read intimating that the Governor-General was unable to receive the deputation, but he would submit any petitions to the responsible Minister.

It was after this letter had been read that the crowd got out of hand. In the course of a speech at the opening of the final session of the present South African Parliament, the Earl of Athlone declared that the Ministers contemplated only the most essential legislation for the discussion of the present House.

#### Native Question.

Among the Bills to be submitted is one authorising the ratification of the German-South Africa trade treaty, which has been so much criticised. The Natives Land (Amendment) Bill, the Natives Parliamentary Representation Bill, and the Coloured Persons Rights Bill.

The two last-mentioned will be submitted to a joint sitting of both Houses.

The Governor-General alluded to the Government's intention to investigate the possibility of converting coal into oil, which the Ministers regard as of most vital importance in South Africa's industrial future.

#### General Election Plank.

The pronouncement regarding the Native Bills is regarded as an indication that the Government will appeal to the country at the General Election on the native question.

It is expected that this will be the Government's main plank, namely, the withdrawal of the historic Cape Franchise enjoyed by the natives of Cape Province, and natives throughout the Union will come under General Horitzog's native policy with their own representation as provided in the Natives Parliamentary Representation Bill.—*Reuter*.

H.M.S. Dauntless, which ran aground on Trum Cap while entering Halifax (N.S.) Harbour last July, has been reconditioned, and turned over to the British Admiralty by the Halifax shipyards.

## Bulls and Inners

□ □ From the Office Butts. □ □

The Volunteer Band is making good progress. As we passed on Wednesday night they blew that our neighbours will learn of it.

"Axe in Trousers," stated a heading in the S. C. M. Post. There is, we understand, a precedent for this state of affairs, the only difference being that the chicken did not wear them.

The report that a session of Parliament in Malta ended in turmoil, indicates that it is not so very difficult to make a Maltese cross.

Last Monday's first nights were Heughan at the Royal and Coyne's Company at the Star, while Christian Scientists held a free Dawson. It was appropriately named, "O Rudder, than the Cherry."

Many people dance with much spirit at these annual balls.

An American reader thinks golf will never replace baseball until they give the player three strikes.

We believe that invitations are out for the opening ceremony at the Imports and Exports sentry box at Kowloon Point.

Very soon we shall be bothered with people ringing up for the late-test scores.

Lives of golfers all remind us. We can top, and slice, and hook. And departing leave behind us Words you won't find in a book.

From the S. C. M. Post: "For Sale, one Trump, with or without a cleaver." Motor cyclists will doubtless take this to mean an "Ace."

A subscription list lies on Tai-po Station to which cash entries are invited for the erection of an Equestrian Statue to the Mayor. Otherwise crime in the district is normal.

Did you hear about the one-eyed Scotsman who demanded a half-price ticket to the cinema?

Thus our accurate contemporary:—"In due course, the calamitous disaster to the China Merchants fine steamer Hsih Wah will form the subject of a Marine Court of Enquiry." Is that so?

The golfer often expresses his thoughts to a tee.

As Heughan was not broadcast, a local Aberdeen was unable to hear him.

The Bateman cartoon is yet to be drawn of the Scotsman-condemning haggis at a Burns Night Dinner.

The modern girl declares that she likes a man to look her in the eye. Then why on earth all that lavish display of silk stockings?

Nature is often very incongruous. It is always the bald man who wins the hairbrushes at the wheel drive.

"The King of Shek-O" has embellished his name on the Boy Scout roll of honour.

Burglars aren't the only people who like a good clean-up. During last year, over a million Chinese made use of the Colony's free bath-houses.

By ordering a number of British flying machines, the authorities in China have shown their preference in plane language.

Four men stole a quantity of dynamite this week, which suggests that we ought to hear something further before long.

The news that a musical centre is being formed locally will probably make each one of us hope that our neighbours will learn of it.

There having been no arrests in connexion with the shooting affair at the Bowling Green Club, Kowloon youngsters are again bringing out their Christmas air-guns.

In accordance with our weekly custom of publishing at least one alarming fact, it is stated that one of Kowloon's Legislative Councillors is now contemplating seeking residence other than on the Peninsula.

The radio broadcast on Tuesday Company at the Star, while Christian Scientists held a free Dawson. It was appropriately named, "O Rudder, than the Cherry."

Two may live as cheaply as one but not so quietly.

A professor has invented a machine that gives 600,000 pounds pressure to the square inch. Should be useful for making Tommy do his home work.

These critics of concert critiques are in a critical state of mind.

Came now on sale is advertised as being of high quality. No need to hang it.

There is no truth in the rumour, that the China Mail having stated that an accident befel an "electric train," the Railway Authorities intend immediately to electrify the system in order to save our contemporary from the resultant shock of unconsciously publishing anything in the nature of a tomological inexactitude.

We should not have been surprised if the gentleman who had his pet corn trodden on by a laker at the Theatre the other night, had raised a Heughan cry!

"Parson Shot in the Desert," says a contemporary. That's worse than the man who was stabbed in the basement.

There's nothing spurious about the Coyne's at the Star Theatre.

According to the Telegraph, a disconsolate prisoner has expressed a desire to be hanged. This is noose.

A bogus doctor was sent to prison in Singapore for cheating. The patient must have survived.

An actress may be late for the show, but she always makes up for it.

Every person past 30 has, at least two novels in him, says a novelist. Lots of people prefer speaking theirs to writing them, however.

Telegraph enthusiasts are so enamoured of the Bridge Puzzles that they are revoking at Letter Golf.

The best aid to peace is personal contact. Hurry up with that pipe-line.

Judging by the small-pox returns, lots of Chinese have been down in the dumps lately.

Walnuts are being used by robbers as gaps. MacWhirter says they would have to use coconuts in the case of some.

Something concrete:—The Department of Reconstruction at Canton has exempted cement from taxation.

Yes, the forged tramway scrip was a Shooky-wan.

There are so many street sleepers along Queen's Road, that it's strange nobody has called the bus service a light railway.



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## BURNS NIGHT DINNER.

SCOTSMEN HONOUR MEMORY  
OF IMMORTAL BARD.

CHIEF JUSTICE'S  
TOAST.

Scotsmen gathered at the Volunteer Headquarters last night to honour the memory of Robert Burns, the setting being a most appropriate one for expressions of the genius of the immortal bard. The President of St. Andrew's Society, Mr. C. Gordon Mackie, occupied the seat of honour behind which was a portrait of the poet draped with Scottish standards. The tables were decorated with realistic thistle lamps and flowers, the ceiling lights also being decorated in the form of the standard with evergreens adding further colour to the scene. The singing was piped in according to custom by Pipe Major P. D. Wilson, being carried aloft by Mr. Alistair Mackenzie to the Chief Justice who then served toast at his table. The Barley Bree was brought in by Mr. George Duncan with due formality and spontaneous applause.

After those present had sat down grace was said by the Rev. F. C. Young. The bill of fare provided by the Hongkong Hotel was:—

Sheep's Heid Broth,  
Loch Fyne Herrin!  
Roastin' Mutton,  
Chappit Tatties en' Bashed Neeps,  
Haggis,  
Scotch Dumplin'  
Bannocks, Butter an' Cheese  
Fruit,  
Coffee,  
The Barley Bree.

Wi merry sang an' friendly cracks  
I wat we will na weary.  
The loyal toast was proposed by Mr. C. Gordon Mackie.

"The Immortal Memory."

Proposing "The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns," His Honour Sir Henry Gollan, Kt., C.B.E., said that the memory of their patron saint was honoured by drinking his health in silence and he thought the time had almost come when they might drink to the immortal memory of Burns also in silence.

He did not mean by that, however, that Burns' dinners should be interrupted because he could imagine no more appropriate way of celebrating his kindly memory. A statue was so often the beginning of oblivion, but a gathering such as the Burns' Dinner showed that Burns still lived in the memory and affection of his countrymen.

Sir Henry said there were many ways of approaching the toast to Burns. He had been looking through some biographies of Burns to try and get some new ideas and in the biography of an eminent Victorian professor he had come across one way of approaching the toast. The biographer suggested that a modern portrait of the poet might be painted. The only thing clear to him (Sir Henry) was what Burns would have said to such a proposal.

The first thing that appealed to him in Burns was the man. He had his faults and it was the penalty of genius that made that fact known to the world over. But they were vile faults because his cup was not filled with wells of loneliness. He was going to ask them to think of Burns as he might have been if he were sitting amongst them that night.

A Remarkable Person.

The first thing they would see was that he was noticed by all his contemporaries—that he was a remarkable person. Yet his kindly nature was such that his genius would not have affected his friendliness and humanity towards them.

In trying to imagine what he was like they had a certain amount of literary authority to assist them. They knew for instance how he would have been dressed. Burns was a strong Liberal—rather a

serious matter in those days—and he would have worn "a suit of blue and buff, the livery of Mr. Fox, with buckskins and topboots."

Sir Henry proceeded to quote a description of Burns by another Scotsman, almost a contemporary, Sir Walter Scott who wrote the following on the occasion of Burns' first visit to Edinburgh at the age of 25, at a time when, although the world did not know, he had produced the major part of his poetry.

"I was a lad of 14 when he came to Edinburgh. His person was strong and robust; his manner rustic, not clownish; a sort of dignified plainness and simplicity. His countenance was more massive than it looks in any of the portraits. I would have taken the poet, had I not known who he was, for a very sagacious country farmer of the old Scottish school—the gadman who held his own plough. There was a strong expression of sense and shrewdness in all his lineaments; the eye alone, I think, indicated the poetical temperament and character. It was large and of a dark cast which glowed (I say, literally, glowed), when he spoke with feeling or interest. I never saw such another eye in a human head, though I have seen the most distinguished men of my time."

Sir Henry said he thought Burns' extraordinary powers of conversation would also have struck them. That power struck his contemporaries more than his poetry. It was brilliant, varied and profound. It captured not only his own sex, but also the ladies. Sir Henry quoted the remark of a lady who was very famous, Jane Duchess of Gordon who said "No man's conversation so completely carried me off my feet."

The men were also affected, said Sir Henry and that was rather remarkable because his own experience of life was that the men who were liked by the ladies were not liked by the men. (laughter).

Principal Robertson had said that Burns was the most extraordinary man he had ever met. Burns' poetry surprised him very much, his prose surprised him still more, but his conversation surprised even more than his poetry and his prose.

Doctrine of Original Sin.

It was rather remarkable, continued Sir Henry, that a man who came from such a humble walk of life should have shown such brilliance in Society. When he was in Edinburgh at the age of 27 he had published the major portion of his poems. Burns was educated at a parish school and Scots knew their wonderful influence. His father struggled to make a poor living and the only things that were not poor in that family were their minds.

Burns' father joined with four other men to get a teacher to teach the sons of the farmers. That young tutor lived with them in turn and got a small salary. The books in the Burns family at that time included the ordinary school books as one would expect. Then there was the life of Wallace and the works of Pope, Homer and Locke, together with Taylor's "Scriptural Doctrine of Original Sin."

Sir Henry said he wondered how many boys of to-day were brought up on the doctrine of original sin. Modern boys probably knew very little about its theory and in Burns' position would probably have read *Answers*, possibly the *Daily Herald* or perhaps the *Daily Mail*.

Influence of the Cinema.

But if Burns were with them that night he would have one great advantage for he would be able to go to the cinema. Sir Henry said he was not fitted for cinema going as his eyesight was so infirm that if he went he was almost blind for the next week.

But he did not desire to follow behind in these matters and he could still study the descriptions applied to modern films. He had come to the conclusion that his knowledge of English was not very profound as he was unable to understand the language of these descriptions, but he could of course follow the pictorial representations.

Sir Henry proceeded to read from film description to the amusement of his audience when he

quoted "See yourselves as others see you in these pulsating cross sections of love and life to-day." I do not know what that means," said Sir Henry.

Underneath he came across the picture of a somewhat anaemic looking youth who might be an advertisement for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills—before he had taken them (laughter).

"Hot stuff" commented Sir Henry, "but hardly the stuff from which great poets are made." But possibly I am too critical because I was brought up on Mario Lloyd. But now I will go back to Burns for he is my subject. There is another manner in regard to which he would be remarkable if he were here to-night. That would be in his politics for in his day it was rather dangerous to be a red politician. He came into disavour more than once for his strong support of the French Revolution and he grew more bitter as he grew older. For the feeling of wasted powers and opportunities gone tends to make a man more bitter.

The Peak Reached.

Burns started out to be the national poet and he once wrote "I hope to become the national poet." In three years he did so—the rock was struck and the waters gushed forth. By 1786 he had produced practically the whole of his major works. He moved to near Dumfries with his powers still undiminished but with his will power growing less and less strong as the days passed. It is wonderful to think that he wrote "Tam o' Shanter" in one day. During his stay in Dumfries he composed the songs which have taken his name over the whole world. The years 1789 to 1790 were the boundaries of his life. "By the time he was 27 his fame was assured—at the time when most of us are just beginning to feel our feet—and he died before most of us have found our feet."

Sir Henry's toast was duly responded to.

"The Lassies."

Proposing the toast of "The Lassies" Mr. Alistair Mackenzie said—"Much though I appreciate the honour of being asked to propose the toast I am at a loss to understand why, on occasions such as this, the job is always given to a bachelor. Is it because a married man dare not speak his mind freely or is the reason to be found in the fact that the bachelor is more likely to speak in romantic vein? I have yet to learn the reason for this old established custom."

However, whether we be married or single the subject of our toast makes a special appeal to us all, particularly on an evening like this when we are gathered together to honour the memory of our national poet, Robert Burns, who has given to the world some of the finest verses in our language in praise of the lassies.

To us as Scotsmen the toast has a special significance. It is not without a certain amount of pride we have heard our native country referred to as "the cradle of men who succeed," and go where you will in the world you will find our fellow countrymen in positions of trust and responsibility. Why should this be so? Many explanations are put forward but I think you will agree with me that the foundation is laid in the Scottish home, the influence of the mother on the child.

Mothers of Scotland.

The mothers of Scotland have played a great and noble part in the history of our country and many a man in a high position has paid a glowing tribute to the love and self sacrifice of his mother (his first lassie) in helping him to success.

In days past it was said that a woman's only place was in the home. Other spheres of activity were not for her. To-day things are very much changed. During the Great War we saw our women folk taking the places of men in practically every profession and trade. Not only did they carry on in an emergency but they did their jobs efficiently and well.

The country has good reason to be proud of its lassies.

At the present time we find women occupying high and responsible positions in all walks of life. Even the Happer has come into her own and has now a voice in the legislature of the country. But in spite of this new found freedom and the goal "equality" having been reached the lassies remain just the same.

Throughout the ages poets have sung their praises in no uncertain manner. Robert Burns in his poems and songs has given them the place of honour. One has only to read "Bonnie Jean," "The Cottar's Saturday Night," or "My love is like a red, red rose" to realise how some of his greatest works were inspired by the lassies. In one of his letters he wrote "O woman, lovely woman. Heaven designed you to temper man—we had been brutes without you."

Let me conclude by repeating one of his best known stanzas:

"Auld nature swears the lovely dears

Her noblest works she classes,

O,

Her 'prentice hun' she try'd on man,

An' then she made the lassies,

O!

Gentlemen, I will ask you to rise and drink with me to "The Lassies"—God bless them.

Dr. Black Replies.

Replying to the toast which was enthusiastically honoured, Dr. G. D. R. Black said that just previously he had spoken to the Chief Justice and asked whether he should speak then or allow the people to enjoy themselves. He had been told to get it over and let them go on and enjoy themselves (laughter).

Dr. Black said the Secretary had rung him up to ask him to reply to the toast, saying that he appeared to be a suitable person because he would make a short speech. Dr. Black said he had no wife and no sister but he had had a few sweethearts and he was quite certain that the lassies would wish him to thank Mr. Mackenzie for the way in which he had proposed the toast and the company for the way it had been honoured.

Mr. Mackenzie had an insight into and an acquaintance with the subject which was astounding in one so young (laughter). But no doubt he had found his subject inspiring. But Burns had taken inspiration from the lassies, and he was delighted to find the toast occupying such a position, as it always did, in the programme for Burns Night. But he must not allow himself to be carried away by the theme and could only repeat his thanks to Mr. Mackenzie for the way he had proposed the toast and to the gentlemen who had risen to it.

The rest of the evening was occupied with an enjoyable musical programme contributed by Mr. George Grimble, Mr. G. MacLeod and Mr. J. J. White, a recitation by Mr. D. Templeton proving further acceptable entertainment fare. During the evening the Chief Justice thanked the local ladies who had been responsible for the Scotch dumplin' and the bannocks.

ROUND THE WORLD.

THE TOUR OF THE EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA.

The Empress of Australia with round the world tourists aboard, is due to arrive in Hongkong on February 13 and will remain here until February 16. The programme of arrangements has just come to hand and provide for motor drives around the island and the New Territories, a trip to the Peak, with dances and dinners at the Peninsula Hotel, and tours to Canton. The tourists will be divided into three parties.

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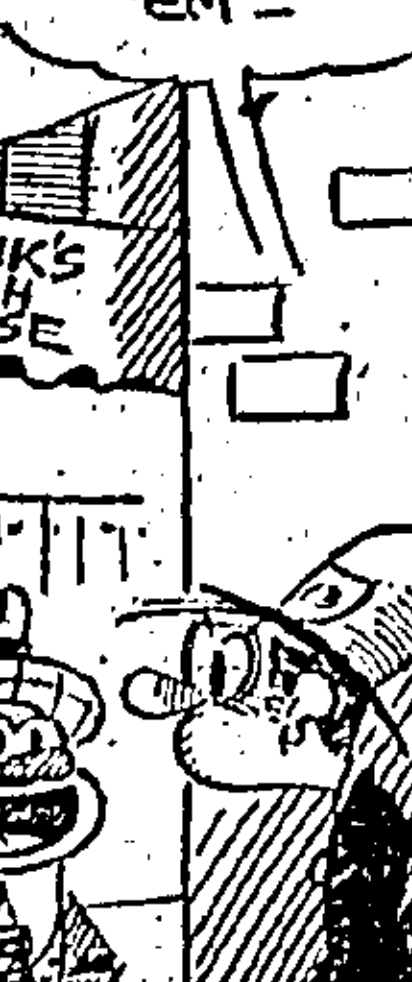
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ANYTHING FUNNY  
ABOUT 'EM —

WELL, I DO! THAT POOR LITTLE SKINNY  
HUSBAND HAS BEEN DRAGGIN' ALONG  
BEHIND HIS HUSKY WIFE, CARRYIN' HER  
BUNDLES ALL DAY LONG —

SAY! WHAT'S THE IDEA?  
I AIN'T DONE NUTHIN',  
OFFICER! I'M JUST  
TAGGIN' ALONG  
BEHIND TH' MISSUS —

THAT'S WHAT  
I WANNA  
SEE YA  
ABOUT —

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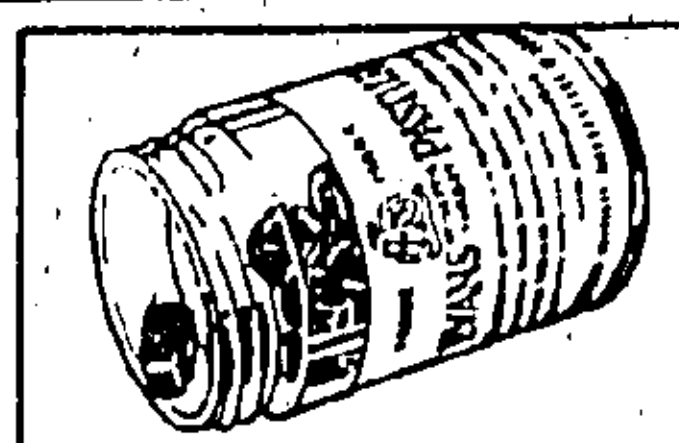


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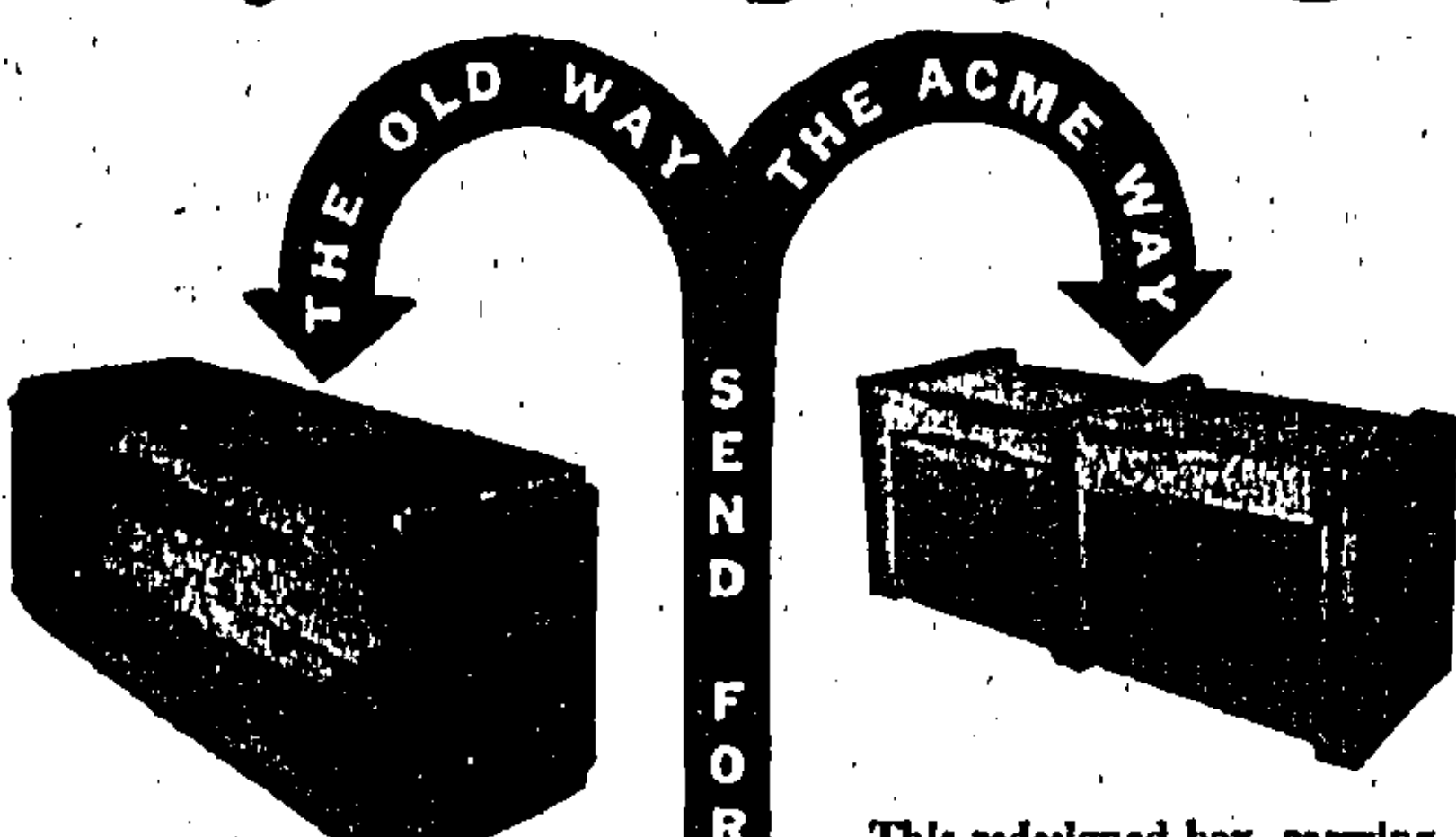
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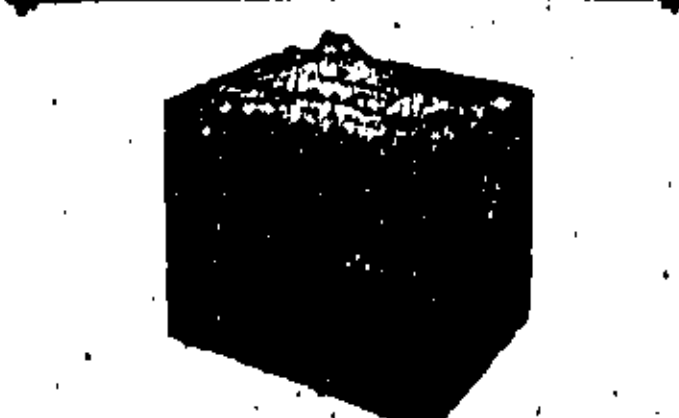
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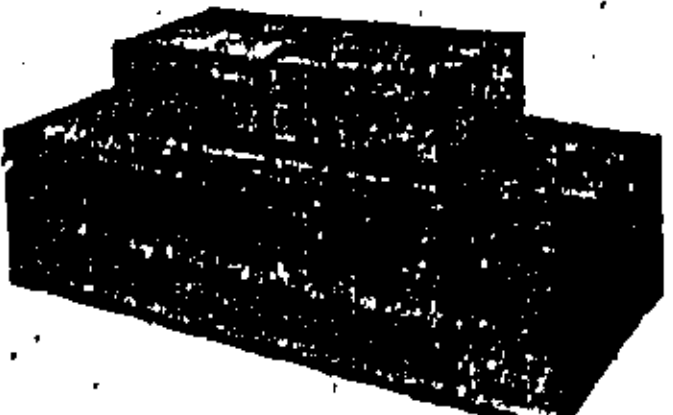


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## THE HSIN WAH DISASTER.

MASTER OF THE TAIKOO TUG  
GIVES EVIDENCE.

### VERY ROUGH SEAS.

The inquiry into the Hsin Wah disaster, in form of an inquest on the body of one of the victims, was resumed before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. J. T. Thirlwell, master mariner, commanding the Taikoo tug, stated that on receiving a message over the phone at 4.45 that morning, he dressed himself and proceeded from his quarters, which were at the East gate of the Docks, and went on board the tug which was in No. 3 Slipway. While ordering steam to be raised, he also sent for those of the crew ashore. It took less than an hour to do all this, and by 5.35, he had cast off and put to sea, proceeding straight to the north end of Waglan.

The weather was very bad, with a strong head wind and sea, conditions being so rough that he had to ease down to prevent being swamped. As he approached Waglan he called it up by Morse lights to ask for the position of the ship. The time when he did so was round about 6.30 or 6.45.

He searched along the shores of Waglan and vicinity, but could see no signs of wreckage, rafts, or lifeboats, except for two pieces of spars. He then asked Waglan by signal if they had had any tidings of the crew, and it replied "No."

He carried the search on to the next island, Sun Kong, proceeding west, and on leaving the spot informed Waglan that he would be returning to port. He arrived in the harbour at 8.15 a.m.

The Coroner: At this time of the year is there any strong set of the current in the neighbourhood of Waglan to the south western direction?—You always get a current there at this time of the year.

Current and Drift.

The Coroner: Did it occur to you to look in the south western direction for survivors?

Witness explained that he did ask Waglan, which had a higher elevation than he had and consequently a wider range of vision, if it had seen any boats or wreckage, and it had replied in the negative.

The Coroner: The ship by that time (7.30 a.m.) had gone down about two hours. Did it not occur to you that the current would be such that rafts and boats might have drifted a long way by that time?—They would not be so far away from Waglan that it could not see.

The Coroner: You don't consider, then, that the current was such that it would take rafts and boats out of sight of Waglan?—Yes.

The Coroner:—You didn't consider going to Poo Tai Islands?

Witness explained that on his way back to port he had headed towards that direction without discovering any boats or wreckage.

Operator's Evidence.

Lai Sheung a charged operator at the Radio Telegraph Office, said he had been thirteen years in the service, nine years as an operator. Previous to that, witness had been with the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company. On January 16 he went on duty at 12 midnight and was the only person on duty until 8 a.m.

Witness stated that there was no call whatever until 4.08 a.m. when a message came through from Waglan reading "Please phone urgent."

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that the head Lighthouse. Keeper at Waglan had said that he had attempted to send a message but had only succeeded in getting the words "Repeat," "Repeat" from witness. This was denied by the witness.

Continuing, witness said that on receiving the three words from Waglan he went to the telephone operator and asked him to get Cape D'Aguiar. Witness explained that there was no direct telephone communication between Waglan and the Radio Office, but they could communicate through Cape D'Aguiar, as the telegraph cable between D'Aguiar and Waglan could be used for telephonic purposes.

Evidence of the Tape.

Witness said that he got Cape D'Aguiar in about two minutes and spoke to Mr. Hast, who wanted a message passed to Mr. Taylor and the Harbour Office. The message was "Steamer sighted three miles East of Waglan 3.15 a.m. ...." Witness stated that he could not get the rest of the sentence, and when he asked Mr. Hast to repeat, the latter shouted and witness could not understand

## LOCAL COMPANIES.

### DAIRY FARM, HONGKONG REALTY AND STAR FERRY.

Subject to audit the Directors of the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Company will recommend the payment of \$1.25 dividend. The net profit for the year ended 1928, including the amount brought forward, amounted to \$305,286.43. It is proposed after paying the above mentioned dividend, to place to General Reserve \$30,000, and to carry forward \$26,286.43.

### Hongkong Realty & Trust Co., Ltd.

The balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year ending 31st December, 1928, including the sum of \$26,027.86 brought forward from the previous years and after setting aside \$29,705.47 in respect of Depreciation, amounted to \$180,546.23.

After deducting the Interim Dividend declared in October last and absorbing \$60,000, a balance of \$120,546.23 remains, which the Board of Directors will recommend at the forthcoming annual general meeting be apportioned as follows:

To pay a final dividend of 30 cents per share \$60,000.00	
To Transfer to General Reserve in order to bring such reserve up to \$200,000.	49,488.00
To carry forward to new Account	11,057.23
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### The "Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.

The net profit for the year ended 31st December 1928, is \$277,601.19, which together with \$42,497.15 brought forward from the previous year, makes a total of \$320,098.34 available for appropriation.

The Directors will, at the approaching meeting of shareholders, recommend the following distribution:

Pay a Dividend of \$2.00 per share, absorbing \$160,000.00	
Pay a Bonus of \$1.50 per share, absorbing 120,000.00	
Carry forward to new account	40,098.34
	<b>\$320,098.34</b>

## PROFESSOR'S DEATH.

FORMER FAR EAST OFFICIAL  
COMMITTS SUICIDE.

Paris, Jan. 25.

M. Auroussenau, a former director in the Far East of a French school at Hanoi, and Professor of Indo-Chinese Philology at the College de France, who fulfilled several missions in China and Japan, has committed suicide.—Havas.

him, Mr. Hast then demanded the supervisor of telephones, and he was accordingly put through. What happened for the next half hour, witness did not know.

At 4.48 a.m. witness got a telegraphic message from Waglan, which appeared on the Waglan register, the message ending with "Taikoo tug sent." As requested, he forwarded the message to H.M.S. Tamar at 4.55 a.m. and then to Mr. Taylor at 5.10 a.m., the latter promising to inform the Harbour Office and the Water Police Station.

The times represented the times when the messages were delivered and witness, in answer to the Coroner, explained that the difference of fifteen minutes between the time taken to notify the Tamar and Mr. Taylor represented the time required to type out a confirmatory copy of the message passed to the Tamar.

At 5.25, a second message came from Waglan, which was also on the register. Witness produced to the Court all the tape that came from Waglan that morning, and added that prior to the message "Please phone urgent" the tape was blank. Witness further added that the dots and dashes on the tape that morning were very badly sent and one who had no experience would find it difficult to read.

In answer to the Coroner, witness said that calling up would not be recorded on the tape.

Speaking of the message received at 5.25 a.m. witness said that it was passed to H. M. S. Tamar at 5.30 and to Mr. Taylor at 5.35.

Witness said it was not part of his duty to notify D'Aguiar for broadcasting purposes any case like the present. His instructions were to notify the Commodore, the Water Police and the Harbour Master in the event of piracy or distress signals. A message from Waglan coming through Cape D'Aguiar would not be taken by the latter en route.

The next hearing will be on Tuesday morning at 11.15 when evidence as to the message on the tape, handed in by the witness Lai Sheung, will be called.

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Mr. R. Sutherland, O.B.E. in the Chair.

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1929.  
Owners are reminded that entries for the Annual Race Meeting must be in the hands of the Secretary on or before Saturday, 26th January, 1929, at 3 p.m.  
By Order,  
C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

### HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Friday, the 8th February, 1929, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1928.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 31st January to Friday, 8th February, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.  
Hongkong, 24th January, 1929.

### THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 2nd day of February, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon at the City Hall Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following resolution, viz:—

That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Corporation to take all such steps as may be necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, in the terms of a print which, for the purposes of identification, has been signed by the Chief Manager of the Corporation, in substitution for the existing Ordinance (except as in such print is mentioned) and Deed of Settlement of the Corporation.

**AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN** that a further extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 23rd day of February, 1929, at 12.45 in the afternoon at the same place for the purpose of receiving a report of the above mentioned meeting and of considering, and if thought fit, confirming the above resolution in accordance with Article 96 of the Corporation's Deed of Settlement.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1929.

By Order of the Directors,  
A. C. HYNES, Chief Manager.

Note:—A copy of the proposed New Ordinance can be seen during the usual banking hours (Sundays, Public and Bank Holidays, excepted) in Hongkong at the Head Office of the Corporation or at the offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, Principal Solicitors to the Corporation, and in Shanghai at the Office of the Corporation, from the date hereof until the date of the above mentioned extraordinary meeting.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, the 11th day of February, 1929, until Saturday the 16th day of February, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
C. F. V. RIBEIRO, Acting Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 25th January, 1929.

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DR. WU PAK-LIANG, Commissioner, Canton Municipal Water Works, Kew Sheung Kai, Canton.

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### Local Services for To-morrow.

### SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, January 27th 1929, Septuagesima Sunday. Holy Communion 8 a.m. Children's Service 10 a.m. Peak Sunday School 10 a.m. Matins 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. H. V. Koop. Evensong 6 p.m. Preacher: The Dean. Social Evening in Cathedral Hall after Evensong. Annual Meeting of Seat holders Tuesday, January 29th at 5.30 in the Cathedral Hall.

Union Church, Kennedy Road, Minister Rev. F. C. Young. Sunday, January 27th 1929. Sunday School 10 a.m. Morning Service 11 a.m. Preacher: Rev. Frank Short. Sermon Title: "Life and Wealth." Evening Service 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. Frank Short. Sermon Title: "A Study in a Failure."

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Sunday Services: Morning 10.15 a.m. Preacher: Rev. J. C. Knight. Anstey. Evening 6 p.m. Preacher: Rev. J. C. Knight. Anstey. Sailors and Soldiers Home, Arsenal Street. Sunday 3 p.m. Men's Bible Class. 8.15 p.m. Service. Men's Hour. Wednesday, 8.15 p.m. Gospel Service for Service Men. WEDNESDAY, 8.30. PLEASE NOTE OPENING OF NEW "SAILORS AND SOLDIERS HOME."

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Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 6th Jan.)	Hokkaido Maru	January 27
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Lincoln	January 28
San Francisco	Albert Sarraut	January 28
Europe via Negapatnam, letters and papers, London 27th December	Padua	January 28
Japan	Santhia	January 28
Manila	Pres. Grant	January 28
Shanghai and Amoy	Chonan	January 28
Straits	Takada	January 29
Japan and Shanghai	D'Artagnan	January 29
Japan	Arafura	January 30
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Shanghai	Tanda	February 4
	Philoctetes	February 1

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For	Date and Time.
Fort Bayard	Wing Lee ... Sat., Jan. 26, 1.30 p.m.
Straits	Michael Jobson Sak, Jan. 26, 1.30 p.m.
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Dairen	Knkhe ... Sat., Jan. 26, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Anking ... Sat., Jan. 26, 4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Hayes ... Sat., Jan. 26, 5 p.m.
Formosa	Sourabaya Maru Sat., Jan. 26, 5 p.m.
Singon	Lyeemoo ... Sat., Jan. 26, 1.50 p.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong	New Mathilde ... Sat., Jan. 26, 5 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Shirala ... Sun., Jan. 27
	Parcels ... 26th 5 p.m.
	Letters ... 27th 9 a.m.
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Bangkok via Swatow	Kwangchow ... Sun., Jan. 27, 9 a.m.
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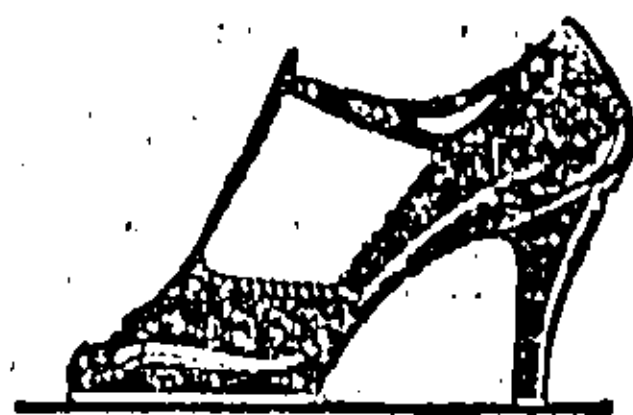
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### RADCLIFFE HALL'S NOVEL.

#### JUDGE'S COMMENTS ON THE BOOK.

#### APPEAL DISMISSED.

The appeal against the order made by Sir Charles Biron, the Bow-street magistrate, on November 16, that a number of seized copies of Miss Radclyffe Hall's book, "The Well of Loneliness" should be destroyed was dismissed at London Sessions.

The appeal was on behalf of Messrs. Jonathan Cape, Limited, publishers, of Bedford-square, and Mr. Leopold B. Hill, of Great Russell-street, representative of the Pegasus Press, Paris.

Sir Thomas Inskip, K.C. (Attorney-General), Mr. Eustace Fulton, and Mr. Bentley Purchase were for the Crown, and Mr. J. B. Melville, K.C., and Mr. Walter Frampton were for the appellants.

Sir Robert Wallace, K.C., presided over a Bench of Justices which included two women.

Miss Radclyffe Hall was given a seat at the solicitors' table.

The Attorney-General, opening the case, said that the only point in the case was whether the book, "The Well of Loneliness," was an obscene production.

#### Test of Obscenity.

Lord Chief Justice Cockburn, he said, had given the following test of obscenity: "Whether the tendency of the matter charged with obscenity is to deprave and corrupt those whose minds are open to such immoral influences and in whose hands publications of this sort may fall." He was dealing with a case which concerned the practice of confession, and said concerning the books in that case, "It is quite certain they would suggest to the minds of the young of either sex, or even to persons of more advanced years, thoughts of a most impure character."

The Attorney-General then related the facts in the case. "The Well of Loneliness," he said, was published by Messrs. Jonathan Cape. In consequence of some attention which was drawn to the book Messrs. Cape sent a copy of it to the Home Secretary, apparently for an opinion as to its character. He read the correspondence between the Home Secretary and Messrs. Jonathan Cape, including a letter from Messrs. Cape, in which they said, "In view of your decision we have no other course than to discontinue the sale of the book."

That, he said, appeared to be clear, emphatic, and unambiguous. What happened was that instructions were given to the printers at Frome, Somerset, to stop the printing of the book, but to prepare moulds of the type and to supply or deliver in accordance with instructions the balance of the paper which had not been used. That was done. Instructions were given later that the title page and the fore page were to be set up in type and moulds similarly made of that type, because it was not possible for the printers in Paris, who had been instructed to print the book, to set up type similar to that used in the book.

#### Circulars from France.

"One fact that is important," said the Attorney-General, "is that the French firm, to the knowledge of Messrs. Jonathan Cape, circulated a large number of persons in this country, advising them to purchase a copy of the book."

"I now come to the book itself," said the Attorney-General, and copies of the book were then handed to the Bench.

He read the following passage from the paper jacket of the book:

"The Well of Loneliness, Radclyffe Hall's new novel, is concerned with the phenomenon of the masculine woman in all its implications. The novel handles very skilfully a psychological problem which needs to be understood in view of its growing importance."

A further extract from the jacket, said the Attorney-General, was an appeal, and a rather seductive appeal, to all thoughtful people to read the book. He read the following extracts from the statement:

"It presents the life story of a girl born out of her physical sphere and whose devoted parents required and expected a son in her place. The publishers have been deeply impressed by this study, and have felt such a book should not be lost to those willing to understand and appreciate it."

"That is Mr. Jonathan Cape's statement," said the Attorney-General. "For all I know the book may contain very fine writing. I have nothing to do with that. The whole question is obscenity, bearing in mind the test of obscenity laid down by authority."

#### Plot Outlined.

He then described in broad outline the plot of the book.

"Stephen is the heroine of it," he said. "The story begins with her birth, and the child from very early years is depicted as a child with unnatural tendencies. The book deals with the friendship of this girl, afterwards a woman, with three persons."

"The first friendship is with a house-maid in the household. The friendship is but an incident in the development of the character of Stephen. The second friendship is with a woman called Angela, the wife of a man Raphael. The third friendship, and this is the culmination of the story, is with a woman called Mary."

"Eventually," he said, "the contest which leads to the conclusion of the book is one for the possession of Mary between Stephen and a young man named Martin, who had fallen in love with Mary. The mother and father of Stephen are represented as deeply disappointed with the birth of a girl instead of a son, but the story is concerned not with the disappointment of the parents, but with the character of Stephen."

"The mother of Stephen, as the book proceeds," he added, "is depicted as utterly out of sympathy with the girl. The time comes when the contrast is between Stephen's character on the one hand and the stern character of the mother."

Sir Thomas said the whole book was meaningless except on the submission which he put forward. He knew of only two references in literature to women such as were described. One was in the first Chapter of the Epistle of the Romans and the other was in the Sixth Book of Juvenal.

It would not be disputed, he said, that the vice was an unnatural one, and "The Well of Loneliness" was a picture of indulgence in it. He read a number of long passages from the book, and commented on them.

"What does this mean?" he asked of one. "Imagine a poor woman or a young man reading it. What is the picture conjured up at once? The man would ask: 'What does this woman mean?' It corrupts him, conjures up a picture which the writer of this book intends."

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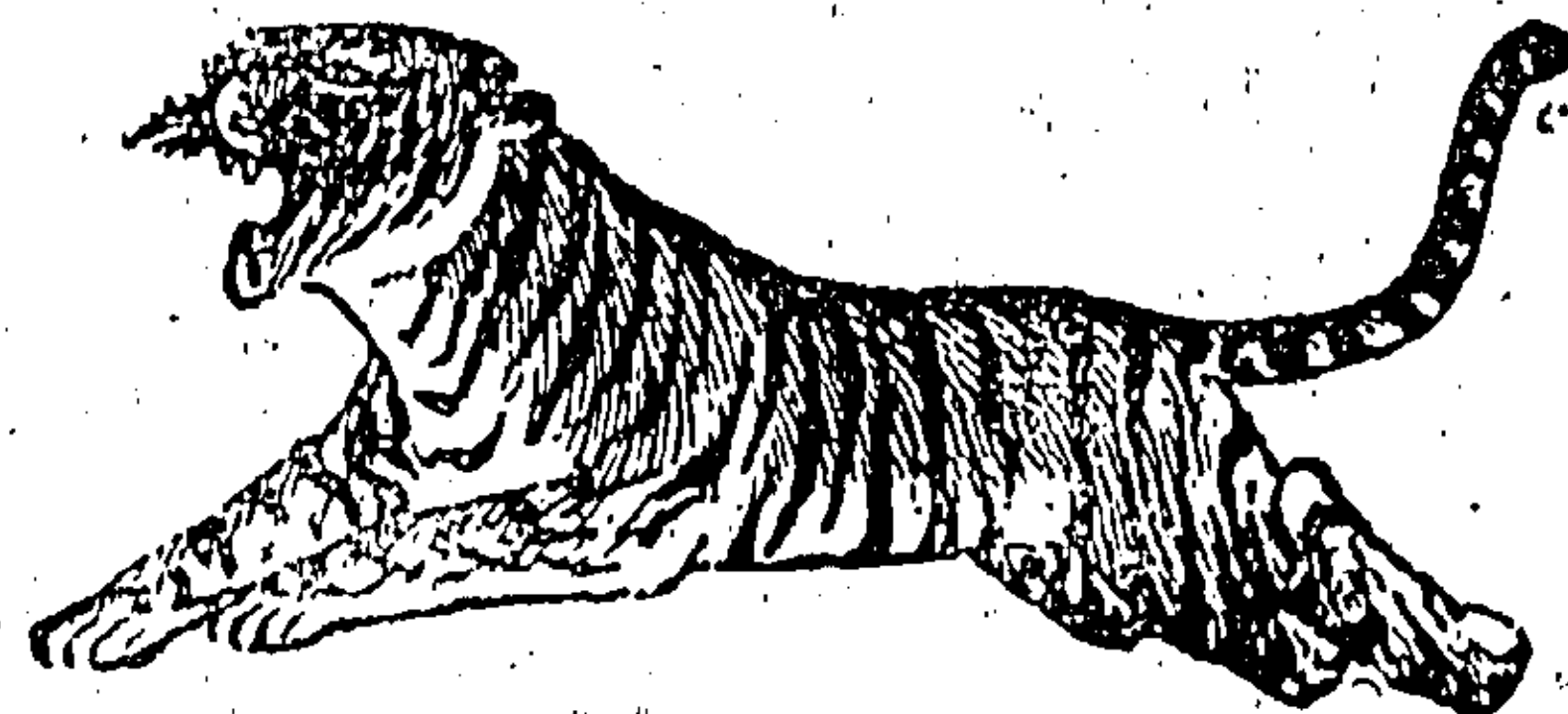
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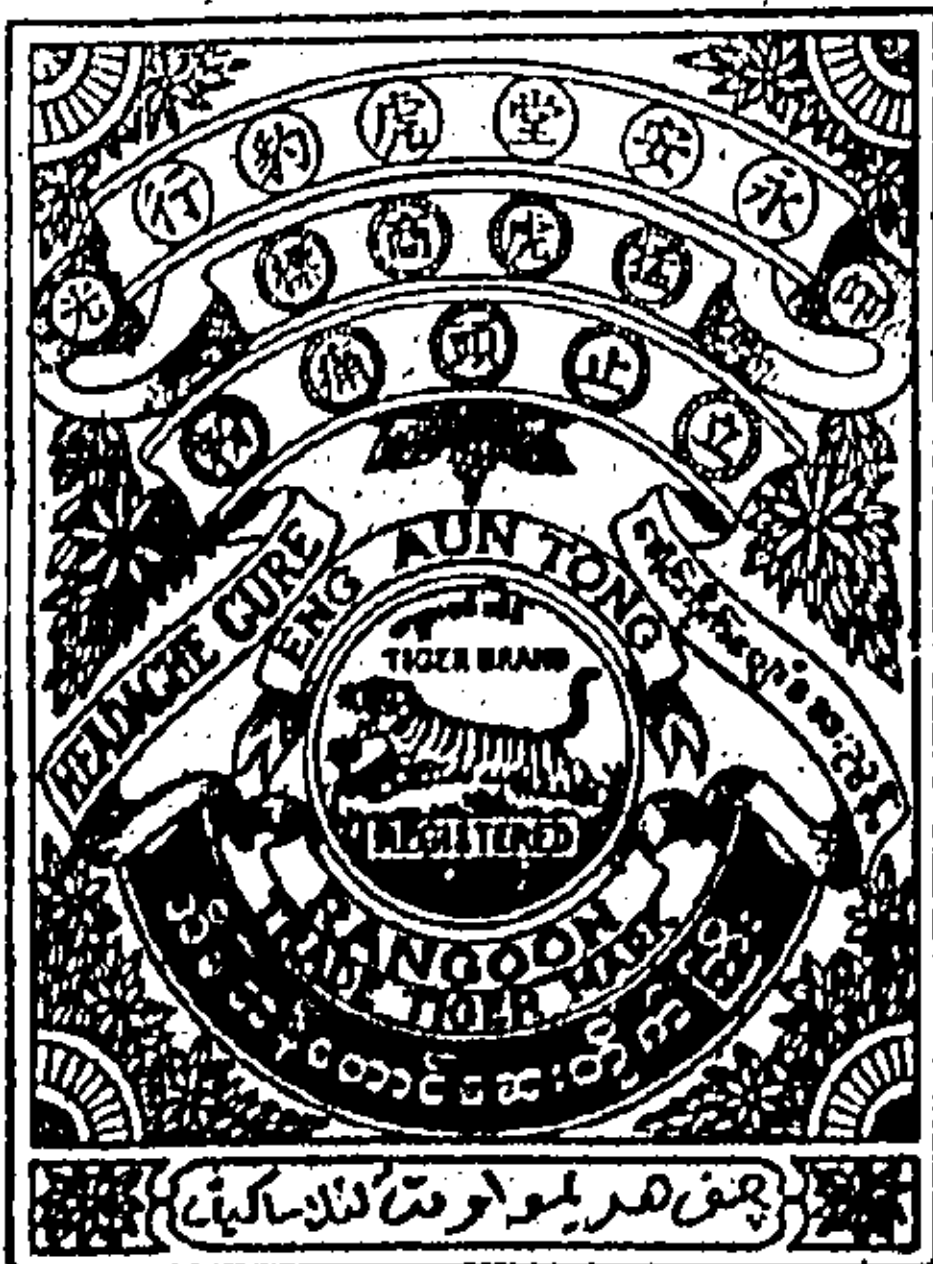
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### Parted Cable.

According to the statement of the master of the East Goodwin Lightship, Captain George Hopkins, the vessel at twenty minutes past one o'clock this morning, was swept from her station as the result of one of the iron rings in the cable breaking. As soon as the ship parted from her anchorage, Captain Hopkins and his crew sent out wireless messages and burnt red flares, but they drifted four miles from their position before they were able to get out their emergency anchor and bring the vessel up.

Captain Hopkins further stated that he burned his entire stock of flares and that the vessel narrowly missed striking the sandbank of the Goodwin. Had the wind been from the south-east, instead of the south-west, the position

### THREAT TO RUSH THE DIAMOND AREAS.

S. AFRICAN POLICE MOVE IN NAMAQUALAND.

Johannesburg, Dec. 23. Serious trouble is feared in the Namaqualand diamond areas, where local residents resent the Government ban on prospecting. At present there is considerable distress in Namaqualand, owing to the drought, and many are on the verge of starvation. They are protesting that this is unfair when vast wealth is lying everywhere, which the State is reserving for itself, while it offers only four shillings and sixpence daily to local workmen.

The situation has developed to such an extent that last night the chief of the South African Criminal Investigation Department and a mobile squadron of police hurriedly entrained at Portonoloth.

Apparently the attitude of the Namaqualanders has become suddenly more menacing. It is known that at a recent mass meeting hundreds unanimously decided to rush the State diggings if the situation were not alleviated quickly.

### Menacing Crowds.

Last week, moreover, fuel was added to the unrest by the arrest of fourteen local men for stealing ground containing diamonds. As a result large crowds surrounded Portonoloth gao, demanding their release and threatening to smash the gates.

All Johannesburg diamond cutters struck work yesterday owing to the question of training local apprentices, the cutters declaring that it was necessary to control the numbers of apprentices and the conditions under which they are taught.

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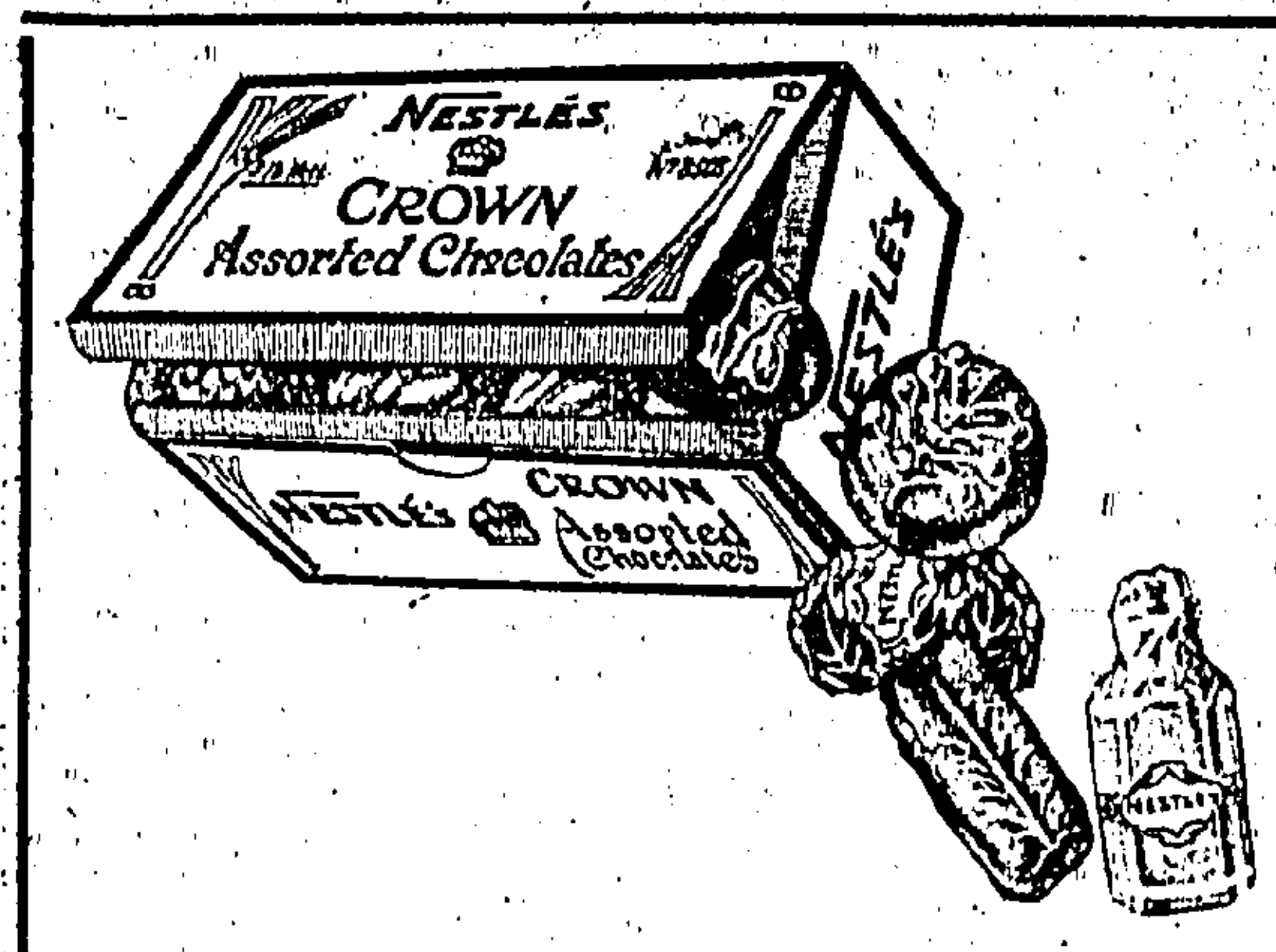


Group taken at a dance given on H.M.S. Cornwall in Shanghai recently.



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[By a Plain Woman.]

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#### Prettiness Through Success.

Money makes beauty, sometimes. Would not becoming clothes, a charming setting, change, above all, no financial worries, turn many a dowdy drudge into a pretty girl? Of course they would.

Success and happiness are other factors. Why do brides look so pretty and blooming? The answer is simple. They look beautiful because they feel it. Success! For the time each girl is the star of her little stage. She is cast for leading lady, so plays the part as to the manner born.

Beauty is an elusive quality. It is not made up of colouring alone, for those lovely roses-and-cream girls often make a disappointing photograph. Nor of perfect features, "jelly regular, splendidly null," for oh! how tired one gets of a profile. The lifeless, statuesque belles of our mothers' time would not be called "beauties" to-day.

Character tells in the long run, as years go by. That explains the so-called "beauty of old age" which descends miraculously on erstwhile homely women, throwing a kindly veil over undonably plain features.

#### Plain Women Wear Well.

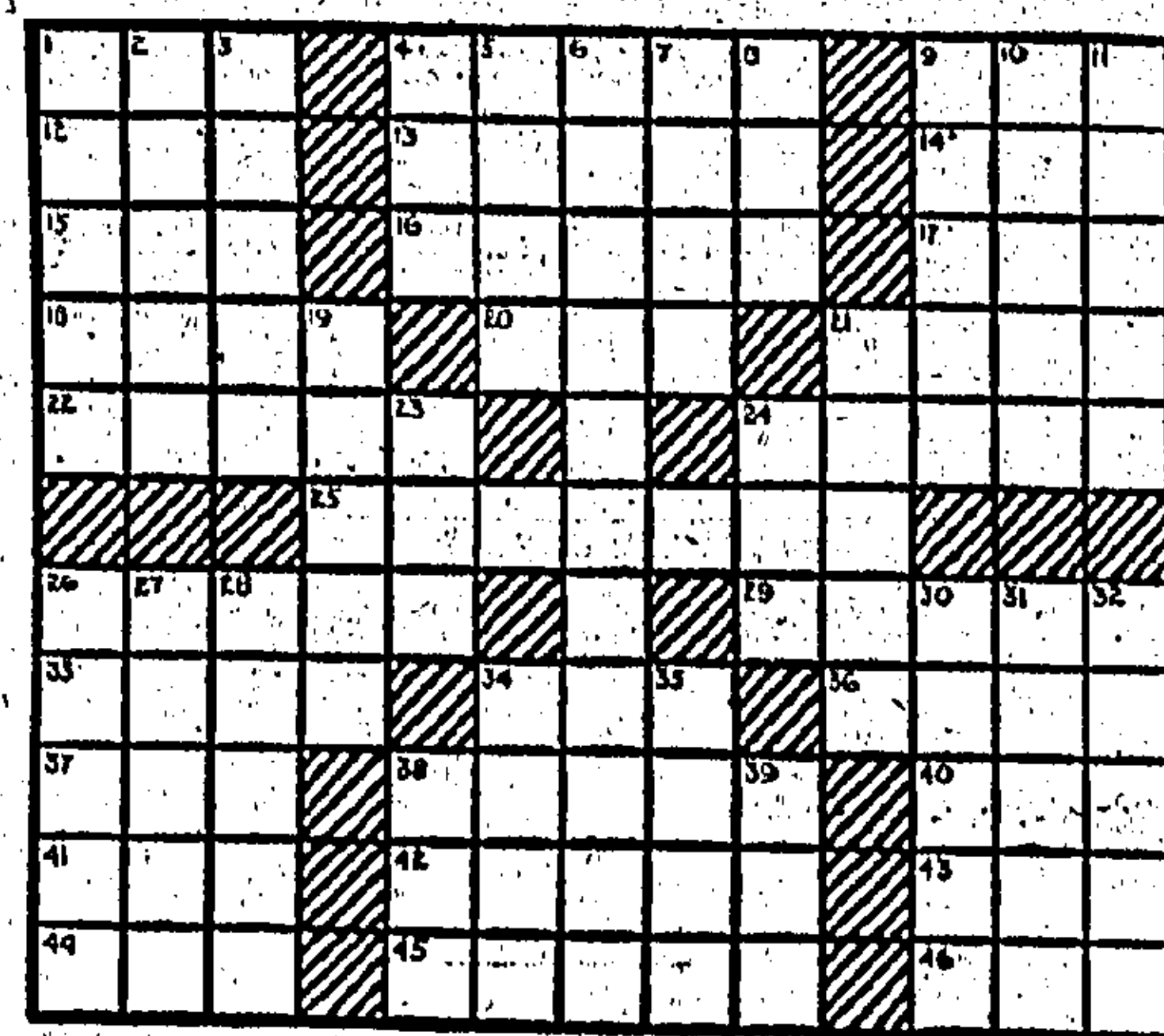
Plain women have something to look forward to. We do wear well! Some of us plain people have intelligence. That gives a certain transitory charm that often passes for beauty. Candid brothers have left me no illusions as to my everyday face. I do not shine at a dance, I know; and, feeling plain, I look it. But with congenial people I, too, have my moments.

Speed and jazz are the present-day gods, we are told. Well, both are vital. And there is one word you have the answer to the riddle. What is beauty? What is it that gives a vivacity and charm that cannot pall? Beauty is vitality. And vitality is beauty.



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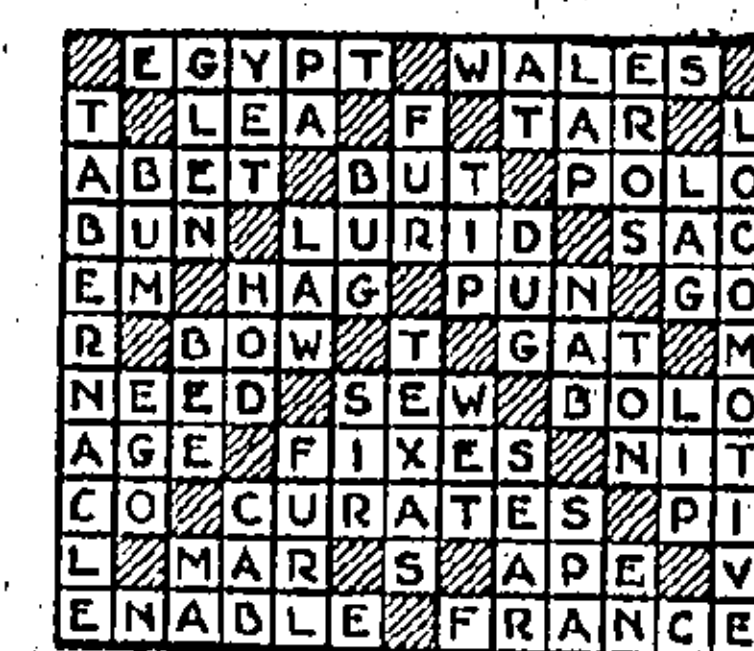
#### Horizontal

- 1 To skip.
- 4 Fronts.
- 9 Fluid in a tree.
- 12 Wing part of a seed.
- 13 Fragrant smell.
- 14 Female sheep.
- 15 Baking dish.
- 16 Shy.
- 17 Rodent.
- 18 Always.
- 20 Fit.
- 21 Certain.
- 22 To detain.
- 24 Gentle.
- 25 Concert by one person.
- 26 Grammatical mark.
- 28 Pork.
- 33 To affirm.
- 34 Headgear.
- 35 Finished.
- 37 Energy.
- 38 Handmaster's stick.
- 40 Pastry.
- 41 Bone.
- 42 Stout.
- 43 Wand.
- 44 Eye tumour.
- 45 Valuable property.
- 46 Some.

#### Vertical

- 1 Abhorred.
- 2 Small green fruit of the olea family.
- 3 Compartment of an electric switchboard.
- 4 Suet.
- 5 Melody.
- 6 Combines intricately.
- 7 To eject.
- 8 Dejected.
- 9 Antikoin.
- 10 Conscious.
- 11 To become exhausted.
- 12 More uncommon.
- 13 Prepared lettuce.
- 14 Still.
- 15 Tiny flap.
- 16 Points of land jutting out into the ocean.
- 17 To prevent.
- 18 To refund.
- 19 Dried coconut meat.
- 20 Strong smelling bulb vegetable.
- 21 Indignant.
- 22 Fireman's box on a locomotive (pl.).
- 23 To act as a model.
- 24 Long feather scarf.
- 25 Mesh of lace.

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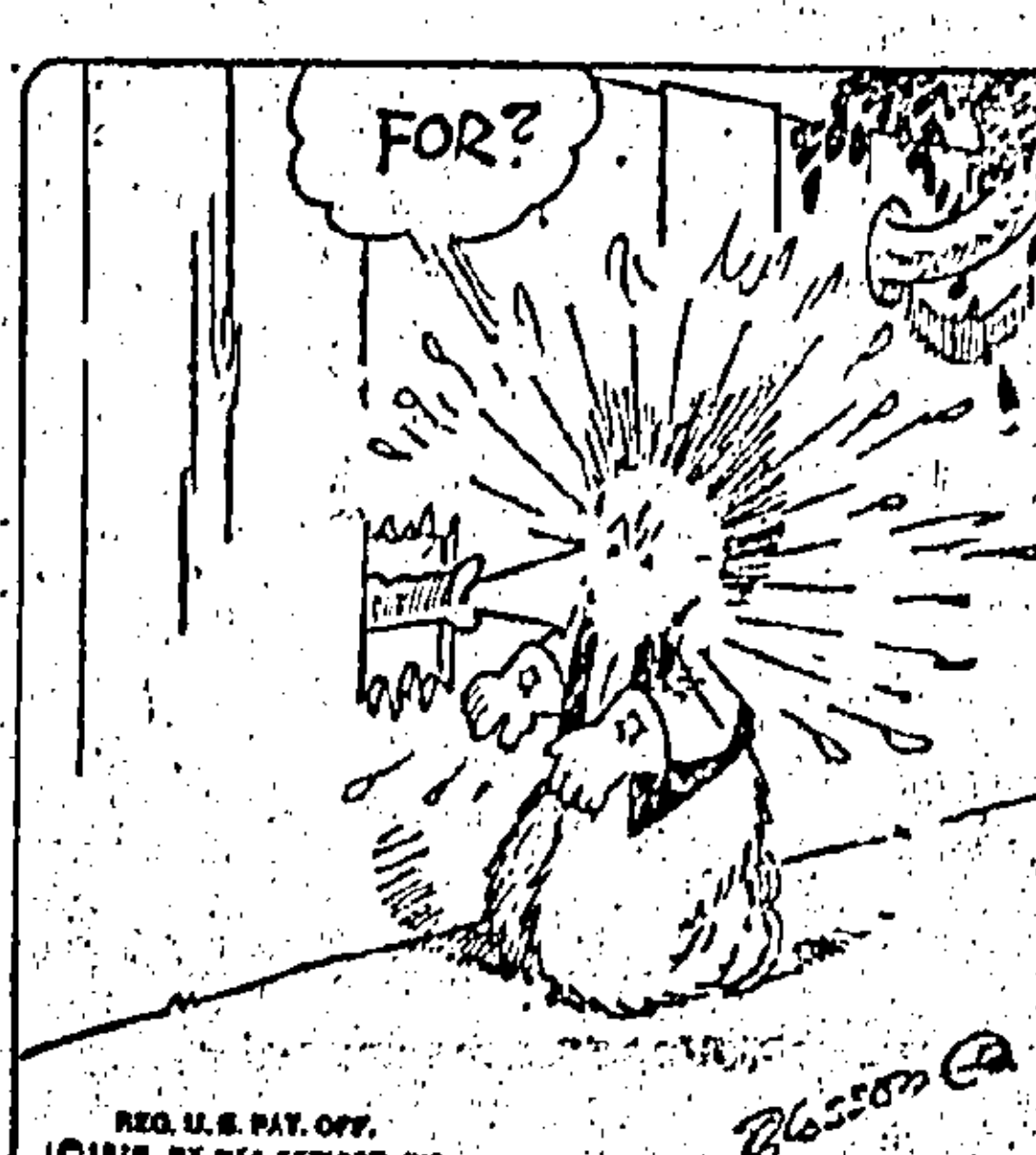
1.48 p.m. Weather Report.  
5.30-6.30 p.m. Demonstration Programme.  
7.48 p.m. Evening Weather Report.  
8 p.m. Evening Programme (Columbia Records):  
"The Bohemian Girl," Overture,

Percy Pitt and the B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orchestra.  
"Red Devon by the Sea."  
Tenor, Hubert Elsdell.  
"My Message,"  
Tenor, Hubert Elsdell.  
"Haddon Hall,"  
Selection, Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.  
"Little Nellie Kelly,"  
Selection, Herman Finck and His Orchestra.  
8.30 p.m. Dance Music relayed from the ball-room of the Peninsula Hotel.  
10 p.m. News Bulletin.  
10.10 p.m. Dance Music from the Peninsula Hotel.  
10.30 p.m. Closs Down  
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### SALT WATER USES.

It is natural, in view of the limited sources of fresh water supply on Hongkong Island, that suggestions should frequently be made with a view to the more extensive use of sea-water. The matter is one which has often cropped up of late, but a study of the conditions prevailing would seem to indicate that there is little more to be done along this line than is the case at present. If there has been any general impression that fresh water is largely utilised for the washing down of drains and gutters, it will have been removed by the statement made by the President of the Sanitary Board on Tuesday, to the effect that sea-water and brackish water are, in the main, used for these purposes.

On the question of the use of sea-water for the flushing of water-closets, official investigations have shown that the expense involved would be out of all proportion to the savings effected. The last report on this subject indicated that the cost of installing a sea-water flushing system would probably come to more than four million dollars, whereas the quantity of filtered water thus saved would only be about 94.5 million gallons per annum. The idea of obtaining fresh water by distillation of salt water has also been ruled out, because the excess cost of this process as compared with the cost of augmenting the existing water supply does not admit of its further consideration. It is not, however, alone on the ground of cost that there are objections to the use of sea-water for the flushing of closets. Some time ago an interesting memorandum regarding the utilisation of such water as the transporting medium in sewerage installations was issued by a well-known authority on the subject, and although it was shown that, by the taking of special precautions, the experiment had been found satisfactory, the fact was also disclosed that there are considerable difficulties to be overcome if this method is adopted. Most of the drawbacks would need to be explained very fully in a technical sense to be thoroughly appreciated, but we may mention one or two of the points raised. In the first place, the very nature of the salts contained in sea-water greatly increases the corrosive action where metal pipes are employed. Then there is the further point that water which is strongly saline will not transport as much matter in suspension as will water which is not salt, whilst a very aggravated

ing condition is brought about by the chemical throwing out of solution of that grease which is discharged into the sewers in a liquid or semi-liquid state along with the wastes from house kitchens. This creates a scum on the top of the sewage and forms a thick and resistant coating to the inside of the sewers. Offensive odours thus arise from the sewers unless they are exceptionally well ventilated, whilst the capacity of the sewers also undergoes a steady diminution unless subjected to frequent cleanings. The thriving of certain bacteria in a saline environment is another factor that cannot be overlooked, whilst the gradient of the sewers, so as to permit rapid transportation, is another vital matter.

It is true that most of these difficulties can be overcome, and the author of the memorandum points out some of the essentials, such as the use of cement for all surfaces of fittings, the laying of sewers at such a gradient as to secure a thorough scouring velocity, and the removal of grease content by means of suitable traps. From these and other facts it will be seen that, although the use of sea-water is perfectly feasible, it is not quite so simple a matter as it seems at first glance. Taking all the factors into consideration, the better way for Hongkong is undoubtedly to proceed with the progressive augmentation of the Colony's fresh water supply, in which connexion the works approved at the last meeting of the Council should greatly help towards removing the cause of the anxiety which is periodically created through the present lack of adequate facilities.

### British Troops in Shanghai.

Wide divergence of opinion in the House of Commons regarding the need for the presence of British troops in Shanghai has been revealed by the frequent questions fired at His Majesty's Ministers in the few days since Parliament reassembled. The militant pacifists of the Labour Party ventured criticism of the War Office policy on the first day, and followed this up on Wednesday by urging the immediate withdrawal of the remainder of the Shanghai Defence Force on the ground that they are no longer required. Latest cables show that the Conservatives are still apprehensive of possible disturbances, and Mr. G. Locker-Lampson, the Foreign Under-Secretary, disclosed that the British Government is in receipt of a hint from the British Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai that further reduction might have unfortunate consequences. It is not suggested, of course, that there is anything in the present situation to make the authorities unduly cautious, but it is just as well that a too hasty judgment is not formed, based on purely outward appearances. Few residents in China will share in the doubt of Mr. Wardlaw Milne that the present forces would be sufficient to maintain peace and order in the Northern port. They would incline rather, though not altogether to the Labour point of view. It is realised that the Nanking Government has accomplished much in the face of great difficulties. A recrudescence of anti-foreignism on a scale commensurate with past experiences is scarcely conceivable in the light of recent developments, but the British Government's attitude, that of not taking too much for granted, is to be commended. We imagine the question of economy also enters into consideration. The British taxpayer was required to delve into his pocket to the extent of approximately a million sterling in order to get protective forces to China soon enough to avert possible catastrophe. It is not to be wondered at if the War Office is content to withdraw the Shaforce in batches in the ordinary course of troopings, instead of embarking on the expensive programme of evacuating them in the hurry which marked their arrival.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended Saturday last, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, gives the following cases, the figures in parentheses indicating deaths: Plague, Bombay (2), Bangkok 1 (1), Pnom Penh 2 (2), Baghdad 2; Cholera, Bassora (1), Calcutta (15), Negapatam (15), Rangoon (1), Tuticorin 1; Diphtheria (1), Colombo 1, Bangkok 11 (7), Pnom Penh 1, Basrah 3 (1); Small-pox, Aden 1, Basrah 6 (4), Bombay 50 (3), Moulinon 2 (5), Madras 50 (3), Moulinon 2, Negapatam 3, Tuticorin 1, Vizagapatam 2, Pondicherry (2), Belawan 1, Deli 5 (1), Pnom Penh 11 (8), Saigon 2, Shanghai (15), Canton 14 (1), Macao (2), Nagasaki 1.

### DAY BY DAY.

NOT LOVE, BUT LACK, MAKES THE WORLD GO ROUND.—Beatrice Harraden.

Lieut. Commr. H. P. N. Boat is coming out in H.M.S. Carysfort for H.M.S. Titania.

The Gazette gives particulars of the Milner Memorial Scholarships at King's School Canterbury.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. A. W. Horon to be a member of the Pilotage Board.

H. E. the Governor will distribute the prizes to scholars of Queen's College on Friday, February 1, at 11 a.m.

Madame Albuquerque and Miss Albuquerque returned to the Colony this morning from Macao, where they have been staying for the last two weeks.

A bankruptcy notification states that a second dividend of 55 per cent. has been declared in the matter of Liu Man-po, of 20, Nam King Street, Yau-mat.

Eleven further Chinese cases of small-pox were notified to the health authorities yesterday, seven from Kowloon districts, three from Victoria, and one from Shaohwan.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months, the Ching Tin Hotel Company, Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register and the company will be dissolved.

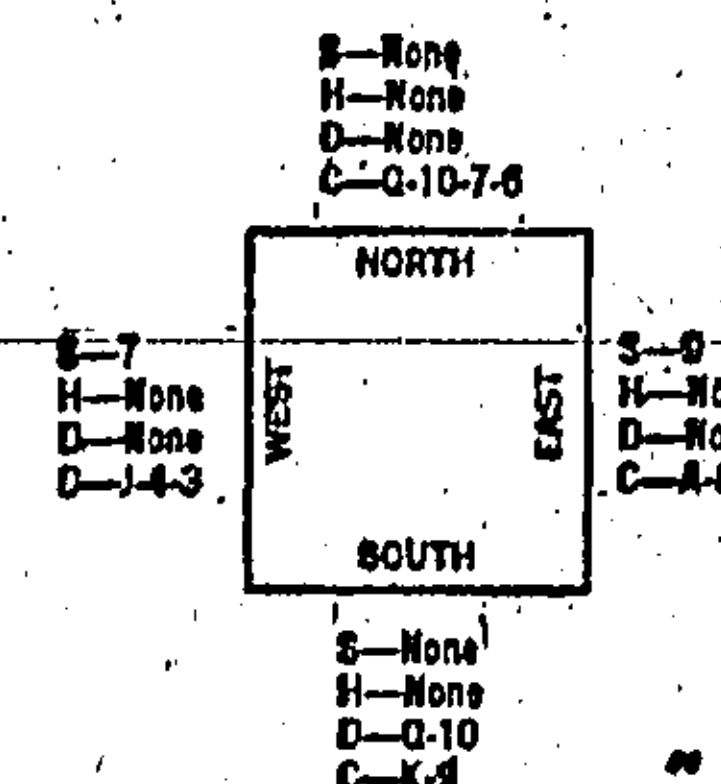
During last year, there were 457 samples analysed under the Sale of Food and Drugs Ordinance, of which only 21 were adulterated. These were 13 of pepper, four of fresh milk, three of tea and one of mustard.

The Khalsa Diwan is giving a tea party at the Hongkong Hotel on Monday evening to tender congratulations to its President, Sardar Sahib Mohinder Singh on his recent promotion to A.S.P. in the Hongkong Police Force.

Word has reached Hongkong of a gift to the Student Y.M.C.A. which is the largest that has been reported up to this time. The family of the late D. B. Gamble, one of the founders of the firm of Proctor and Gamble, makers of Ivory soap, presented to the Y.M.C.A. of Cincinnati (Ohio), their home city, the sum of \$5400.000, to be used to erect and endow a building for the Y.M.C.A. of the University of Cincinnati. In addition they gave land adjoining the University for the site. One of the sons who joined in this gift, Mr. S. D. Gamble, is well known in China, having been an honorary member of the secretarial staff of the Peking Y.M.C.A. for several years. He is the author of a research study of social conditions in Peking, called "Peking A Social Survey."



BY FABIYAN MATHEY.



Spades are trumps, and South has the lead. North and South must win two of the four tricks.

Lay out the cards on a table, as shown in the diagram, and study the situation. See if you can find a method of play that will net North and South two tricks.

### The Solution.

In this puzzle the purpose lies in avoiding the obvious danger of leading a suit which both your opponents lack.

South leads the king of clubs and East wins with the ace. East must now either lead clubs to North at once, or he must do so after winning his trick in trumps. In either case North is certain of taking two tricks.

But if the nine of clubs had been opened, East would have returned a club, forcing South to win and return a diamond. On the diamond lead, either East or West could have trumped while the other discarded his last club.

If South is foolish enough to open a diamond, the ruffing and discarding takes place at once.

## THE PROUD MOUSE.

A Caucasian Fairy Tale.

Once upon a time there was a mother mouse that lived, with her son, in a cosy home in the side of a very high mountain. They dwelt happily together until one day mother mouse called her son to her side and said to him, "My son, I am growing old, and am no longer able to obtain our daily bread, or to do the housework. It is really time that you thought of marriage. Choose, then, a lady who pleases you; bring her to the house where you can live happily together, while, as for myself, it will give me great joy to share in your happiness. Think over it, my dear son."

"I do not know what to think," replied the son, "everybody speaks to me about marriage, but I do not wish to choose a wife from our own people. They do not please me. I have decided to marry the daughter of the most powerful Being in the world and, as I have heard it said that he is the Sun, I intend to go without delay to ask him for the hand of his daughter in marriage."

His mother tried very hard to turn him from his idea, but all in vain. After providing himself with a store of food, he set out with enthusiasm on his quest to find and to marry the Daughter of the Sun. Although he was a very proud mouse, he was also a very brave little grey gentleman, and during seven days and seven nights, he continued to climb towards the summit of the highest mountain in the world. It was very dark when he arrived there; his little heart fluttered wildly until first he heard the wonderful morning song of the Sun himself, and, soon after, he arrived in all his glory, seated on his golden chariot, drawn by a thousand high-spirited horses.

"My greetings to you, O wonderful Sun," cried the mouse, "it is said that you are the most powerful Being in the world and, since I have taken a vow to marry the daughter of that man, I come to you with my request. Will you give me for wife your daughter with the golden earrings?"

The Sun listened to the demand of the mouse, smiled happily, and said, "Since you are resolved to take for wife the daughter of the most powerful Being in the world, you must go and speak to the Clouds. They are more powerful than I am, for they have only to hem me in on every side, and then I see neither the Earth nor any of my dear children."

"Ah!" replied the proud mouse, "if that be the case, I certainly cannot marry your daughter."

And without even saying goodbye to the Sun, he hurried towards a Cloud, that was reposing easily and swaying gently on the very top of a sharp-pointed peak.

"Good morning, O Cloud," said he, bowing before him. "The Sun has just told me that you are the most powerful Being in the world, so I have come to ask you for the hand of your daughter."

"Ha! Ha! Ha!" laughed the Cloud. "I the most powerful of all! No! No! my little grey gentleman, the Wind is much more powerful than I am. When he becomes angry, he chases me before him, attacks me on every side, damages my wings, and makes my feathers fly into the air. You must go to the Wind to look for your wife."

"Well, well," replied the proud mouse, "I certainly cannot take your daughter for a wife."

And again without saying goodbye, he fled towards the gorges where the frisky Wind had just awakened.

"I salute you, O Wind," said the proud mouse, "I have just learned from the Clouds that you are the most powerful Being in the world. I have come, then, to ask you for the hand of your daughter."

The Wind smiled, then laughed outright. He showed the proud mouse the muscles of his powerful arms and then said, "Do you see in the valley there by the bank of the river the Ox that sleeps peacefully?"

"Yes, I see him," replied the proud mouse.

"Well, he is stronger than I am. When I am angry, I destroy cities, I uproot giant trees with ease, but that Ox continues to do his work quietly, without even troubling himself about me, even when I am in one of my worst tempers."

"Splendid!" said the proud mouse. And without even waiting to listen further to the Wind, he ran as fast as he could towards the Ox, to whom he explained the object of his visit.

Having listened to him, the Ox gently replied, "The Wind is no doubt mistaken. The Plough is stronger than I am, because it requires six of us, and all working very hard indeed, to drag him across the field. It would be better if you were to speak to the Plough."

"Ah!" cried the proud mouse. And without saying adieu to the Ox, he walked towards the Plough. The Plough listened to his request, and said, "Well, well, well. And so it is I who am the strongest. You are wrong: I am not. The Root is stronger than I am, because when I find him in my way, I am no longer able to advance. You must go to the Root and ask him for his daughter as wife."

Without even waiting until the Plough had finished, the proud mouse hurried towards the Root.

"O Mr. Root! Dear Mr. Root! give me your daughter for wife, for the Plough assures me that it is you who are the most powerful in the world." "Why should the Plough tell you such a story?" replied the Root. "Who is it who does not know that mice are very much stronger than I am; stronger than all that there is on this earth. They have only to desire it and lo! nothing remains of me."

Hardly had the Root finished speaking when the proud mouse fled straight home as fast as his little legs would carry him, his little heart beating wildly in order that he might share the joyful news with his dear mother.

At the door of his home, he met a lovely fat mouse that was looking very sad.

"Why are you so sad," he said. "Has something happened to my dear mother?"

"Yes," she replied. "Your mother became very ill, fearing for your life during your journey."

"Oh! What a proud mouse I am," he cried. "I have been the cause of almost the death of my own mother." He ran into the house, kissed her tenderly, and without waiting to relate the story of his adventures, he asked, "Who is the charming little lady whom I have just met?"

"My dear son, she is the daughter of my neighbour, the poor widow. She has tended me during my illness, never leaving my side for a single moment. Although poor, she is an honest and a good little mouse."

"My dear mother, do you believe that she would wish to become my wife? She pleases me very much."

"I believe that she will not refuse. Go and tell her I wish to speak to her."

This was no sooner said than done. He went out, called her, and then politely begged her to go and speak with his mother.

Our little grey gentleman waited a long time for an answer, but at last his mother called him. He re-entered his home, saw immediately from the look on their faces that happiness was within his grasp, and not long afterwards, they were married in the Mouse Church in the Valley of Ferns.

His mother completely recovered from her illness, due to the careful nursing of the pretty lady mouse, and all three of them lived cosily in their little home in the side of the high mountain. Our little grey gentleman was so happy that he forgot all about his former immense pride.—Translated from the Russian by R. B., and from the French by "Rothie."

### LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY.

#### REPORT ON THE YEAR'S OPERATIONS.

The annual report of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., states:

The net profits for the year, after providing for all Directors' and Auditors' fees amount to \$1,070,768.97 which, with the amount brought forward from last year \$933,219.48 gives an amount available for division of \$2,003,978.45.

From this amount an interim dividend of \$2.00 per share on 240,000 shares (\$480,000) has already been paid leaving a balance of \$1,523,978.45 available for appropriation which it is proposed to deal with as follows:

To pay a final dividend of \$2.00

per share, \$480,000.

To pay a bonus to staff, \$3,000.

To General Contingency Account, \$50,000.

To carry forward to a new Profit and Loss Account, \$933,219.45.

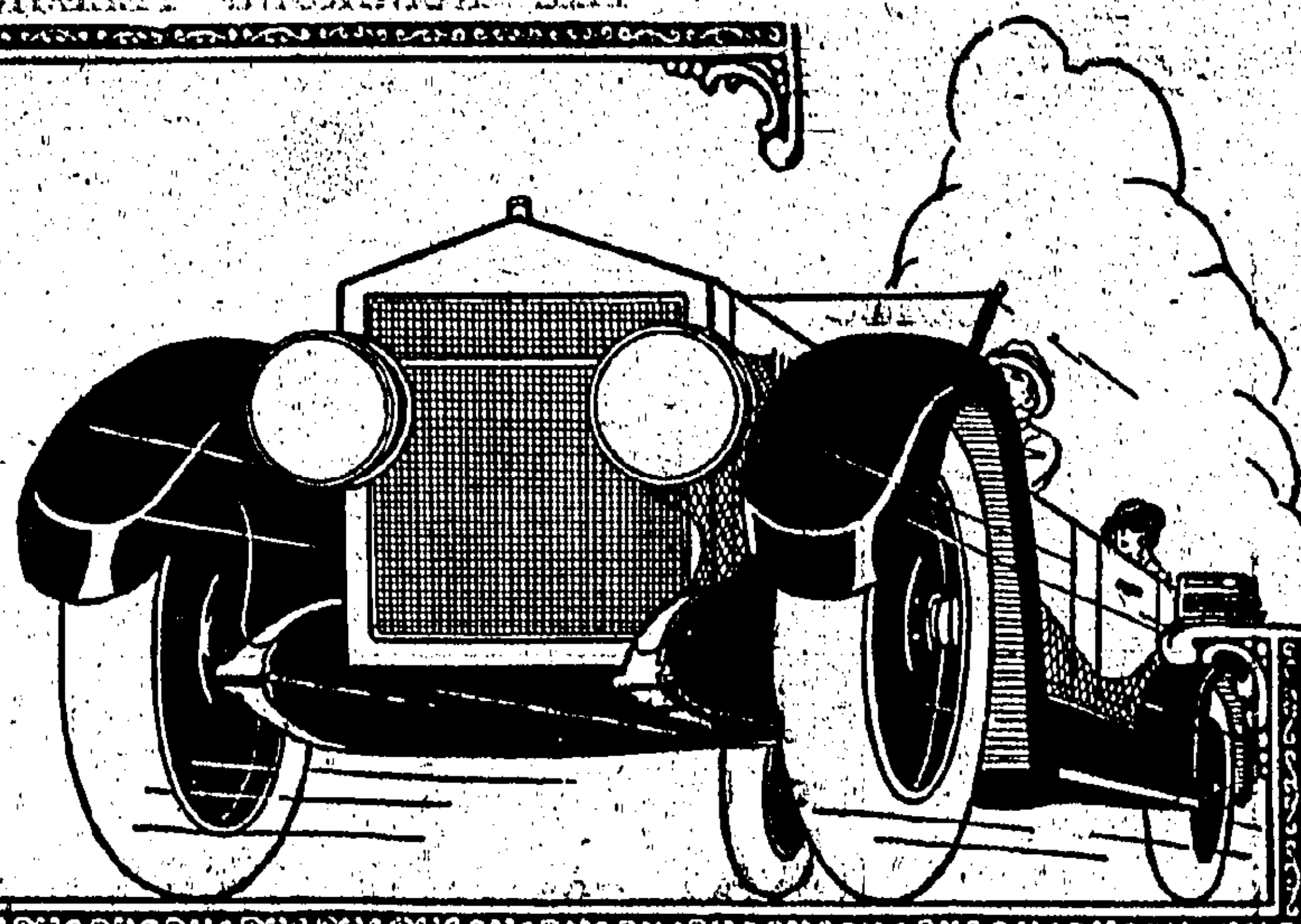
Directors.—Mr. J. E. Joseph having resigned on leaving the Colony, Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith was invited to join the Board. On Mr. Joseph's return he re-joined the Board and Mr. Bowes-Smith resigned. Mr. H. H. Priestley having been invited to join the Board, this appointment now requires confirmation. Messrs. H. P. White and H. H. Priestley now retire by rotation and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming and Messrs. Linstead and Davis, who now retire and offer themselves for re-election.

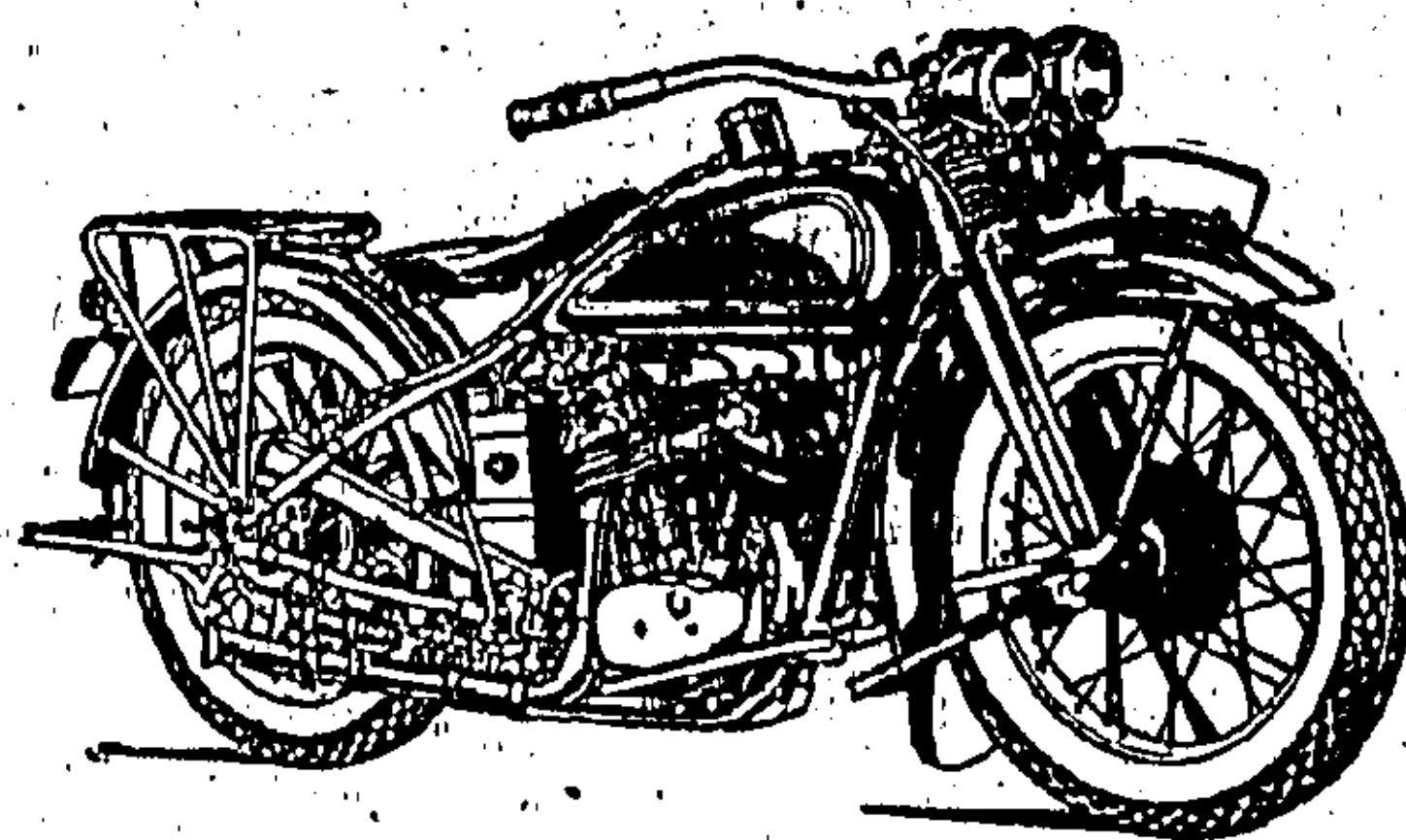


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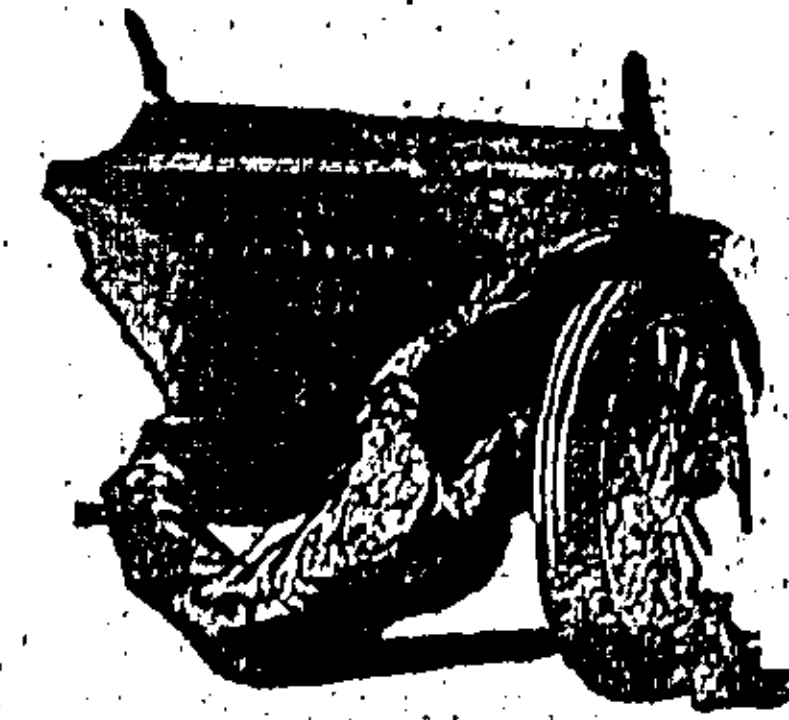
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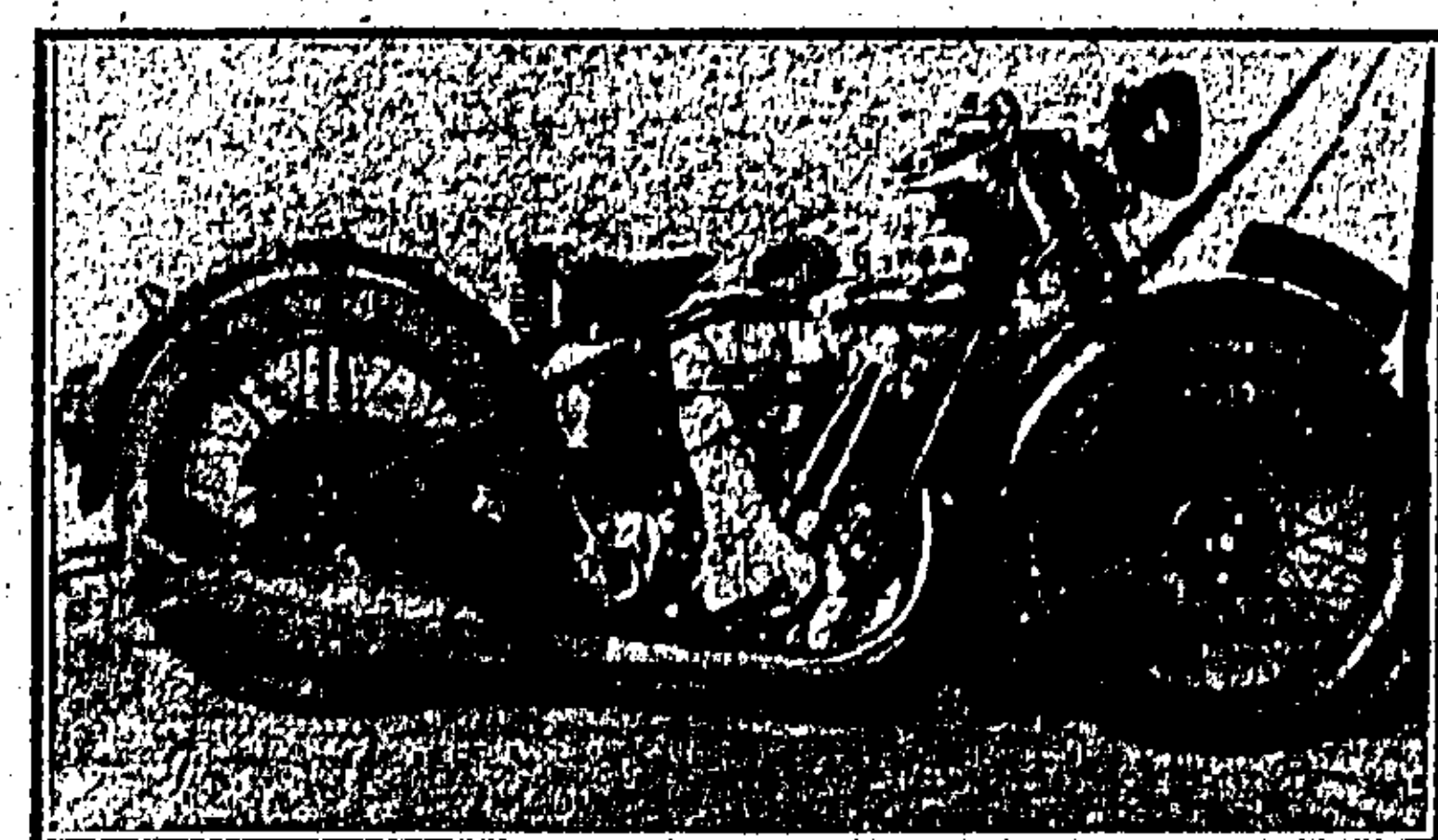
## FIFTY YEARS HENCE. Or, Hongkong in 1979.

When I decided to take the trip from London to Hongkong for my annual three weeks' holiday, friends did their utmost to dissuade me of doing so, pointing out that no less than two-thirds of my vacation would be taken up in the air. As a matter of fact I love the air, and after one has spent the best part of the year in a stuffy office, the rest and tonic to be derived from floating on the ether more than compensates for the period of inactivity involved in travelling. Anyhow, only fifty years ago people were accustomed to take months in touring the world by sea . . . . . and as for the Far East, my father assured me that his fond parent used to take from five to six weeks each way going backward and forward . . . . . and because of that, was compelled to stay out there for five years' stretches at a time! Thank goodness we don't live in those slothful days.

You ask me what I think of Hongkong? Well, I've always heard, of course, about the wonder of the Peak . . . . . the myriads of lights . . . . . the air station right at the top . . . . . and in regard to the latter, I might mention that I was particularly disappointed when we were told on board, that all ships had to land on the Kai Tak Aerodrome in order to pass the Customs. Later on, I was indeed glad that it was so, because from two thousand feet, Hongkong is not the least bit interesting, or perhaps I should say, one's anticipation of the Peak fails to materialise. Fortunately, we arrived after dark, and I shall never forget the inspiring beauty and fairy like scene which gradually unfolded itself as we glided down to the drome level, and the Peak seemed to slowly rear itself up out of the sea . . . . . a huge black outline set with millions of sparkling jewels. The directional beams from the Peak air station, had but a few moments before appeared to be radiating from sea level as they do at home . . . . . but the effect of seeing these . . . . . with their various colours . . . . . rising up . . . . . up into the very heavens themselves, crowning this bespangled silhouette as we descended, was a sight never to be forgotten.

Once through the Customs, I decided to take the electric tunnel railway under the harbour, and was surprised to find myself in the vestibule of the Hongkong Hotel so quickly. From the other side, Hongkong looks some distance away, when one is reckoning on land travel, but I suppose we at home have become so unaccustomed to tube and railway travel, that to estimate distance by land

## THE REDESIGNED B.S.A. MOTOR CYCLE.



The above picture shows one of the new B.S.A. range, which has proved of great interest at home. This particular model is the 3.49 h.p. L29, Two Port, O.H.V.

## CAR INSURANCE MAY COST MORE.

### Sequel to Increase in Accidents.

Changes in the present rating of motor insurance owing to the increasing number of accidents were forecast by Mr. F. Akeroyd (accident manager, British Oak Insurance Co., Ltd.) in a paper read before the Insurance Institute of London recently.

"During the past few years," he said, "speaking generally, the profit from motor insurance has been somewhat thin and in many instances nonexistent. Year after year references have been made at the companies' annual meetings to the disappointing results in this section of the business, and that the rates required revision in an upward direction."

Mr. Akeroyd suggested that the rate for accidental damage should be entirely separate from the third-party fire and theft rate, and that for each make of car there be an accidental damage premium based upon its construction and design (chassis and body), life (wear, tear and depreciation) and cost of spares.

"Remarkable" Psychology. He also contended that in the direction of area rating for private cars lay a more accurate and efficient means of premium assessment.

"From the third-party aspect, the motorist in a town is more likely to injure a person occupying a high financial position in life than in the country, and we know the measure of damages claimed and awarded is largely governed by the injured person's station in life. Yet, speaking generally, no difference in premium is made between the owner of a car resident in London, Manchester or Birmingham and one in the heart of an agricultural county."

Mr. Akeroyd said that the psychology of some insured persons was remarkable.

"Reasonably fair and absolutely honest in their dealings in other walks of life when question of the repair of a wing or lamp arises and the liability of the insurance company is involved, their otherwise high and unimpeachable standard of honesty becomes lowered and their view only too often finds ready support from the repairer."

in the world, but the term is meant to apply to a general means of communication which would not only carry passengers, but vehicles as well. A tunnel is without doubt the ideal solution of the problem, but unfortunately the cost involved is so great, that the suggestion has been dismissed as almost impossible. It is indeed well to endeavour to look ahead for fifty years, because after all, progress goes hand-in-hand with foresight. The question should not be dismissed on account of the expenditure involved, but the modernisation of the Colony should be of primary importance. Even were a loan necessary in order to launch such a project, there can be no doubt but what the future generation would gladly bear its share, and furthermore, be thankful that a Government of the past had been sufficiently wise and far seeing to unite the Colony as a whole.

### The Morris Minor.

Much local interest has been aroused as a result of an announcement last week concerning the arrival of the first Morris "Minors." As we then predicted, a considerable demand has sprung up, the Agents having received many enquiries during the week. A little patience will have to be exercised, however, as some weeks will elapse before the first shipment arrives. There are only two demonstration cars here at present. The delay is occasioned by the fact that the factory is compelled to fill orders in rotation, although every effort is being made to ship a number of Minors out here at the earliest opportunity.

## CURRENT COMMENT

### The H. K. A. A.

With the Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Automobile Association taking place on Tuesday next, it is an opportune moment to refer to the valuable work of the Association, and to give a few reasons why every private motorist should not only be a member, but carry the Association's badge on his car.

### Why Join?

It is most gratifying to be able to say that the majority of car owners in Hongkong are members of the H.K.A.A., but there are still quite a number of motorists who remain outside the ranks. To these we would direct our remarks in the hope that that minority of non-members will gradually fade away, and that the time will not be far distant when practically every motorist will support such a live and useful organisation. Occasionally one hears the observation, "Why should I join, and in answering that question, we will draw attention to a few of the benefits to be derived.

### The General Good.

First of all, it should be remembered that the general interests of local motorists are keenly watched by the Association, and representations are frequently made to the Authorities concerned whenever need for improvement in any locality is desired. To quote two examples which come to mind, we would refer motorists to the vast improvement which has been effected in the vicinity of the Naval Hospital, where the road has been widened and made much safer. In consequence, and at the junction of Island Road and the Sheko Road. These are but two instances of the recommendations of the Association being adopted, but they surely serve to illustrate the fact that local motoring conditions are being constantly watched, and suggestions made for the general good of motorists.

### Complaints.

During the course of each year, a large number of complaints are received from members, and it can be truthfully said that no member puts in a complaint which is not carefully investigated.

### Legal Advice.

In the case of an accident, every member may obtain sound legal advice, thus preventing heavy expenses which can be so easily incurred. This facility alone, is of the greatest value to members.

### Mechanical Advice.

In cases of mechanical trouble, an expert engineer is available to give advice, or to inspect a car before entering a workshop, and again at the conclusion of any work which may be carried out. To the inexperienced motorist (from the mechanical point of view) such helpfulness is of the utmost assistance, not only ensuring satisfactory repair work, but preventing needless repair bills. When trying a second-hand car, members may obtain the services of this expert who will make an examination and report accordingly. This is surely another sound reason why motorists should wholeheartedly support the Association.

### Another Scheme.

Another scheme is proposed which will prove of exceptional benefit, and the Annual Meeting has been put forward in order to allow the Incoming Committee to deal with it at the earliest possible opportunity.

### Patrols.

The Association introduced the system of patrols which has proved so valuable. Before the introduction of this service, complaints of thefts, damage to cars when parked, etc. were most common, and it is interesting to note that

since the patrols have exercised supervision, these complaints have largely fallen off. These patrols are stationed both in Hongkong and Kowloon.

### Insurance Reductions.

Upon production of evidence of membership of the H.K.A.A., motorists are granted a reduction of 10% off the insurance premiums, which fact is a tacit acknowledgment of the good work done in protecting motorists from theft, etc.

### Employment Agency.

Members are enabled to secure the services of a thoroughly reliable chauffeur through the agency of the Association. A representative of the H.K.A.A. is constantly on the road observing drivers, and efficient and careful men with clear police records are therefore brought into touch with prospective employers. This system alone, is resulting in the creation of a high standard of driving and the elimination of those who are careless when in charge of a car. It has also stopped the exploitation in the matter of wages.

### When Going Home.

Motorists who intend using a car whilst on leave, are given letters of introduction to the R.A.C. and A.A., which exempt them from paying the usual entrance fees to those bodies. They are further granted a reduction on the Colonial subscription. Not only that, but by carrying the badge of the H.K.A.A., every assistance is willingly rendered by the R.A.C. roadside patrols through Great Britain. Many Hongkong motorists are most generous in bestowing praise for the manner in which the local badge was recognised at home.

### Other Reasons.

There are many other reasons why the Association should be supported, one of which is the reduction in the subscription to the *Autocar*, that excellent motoring magazine. Rates are just about halved. One might go on giving reasons, but the main reason which should be considered is that the H.K.A.A. is not merely a name, but represents a most active body of motorists keenly interested in bettering local motoring conditions, and the fact that Hongkong at the present time boasts the finest motoring facilities in the Far East, is in no small measure due to the watchfulness and suggestions of its Automobile Association.

### The Honorary Secretary.

That success has been the reward for the efforts of the Association is without doubt attributable to the happy and fortunate choice of Honorary Secretaries. The Rev. G. E. S. Updell, who holds the post at present, is not only a most enthusiastic motorist, but one of the keenest members of the organisation he so unselfishly works for. Our position as Official Organ to the H.K.A.A. brings us in constant touch with Mr. Updell and his work, and we gladly pay tribute to his energy and enthusiasm. Local motorists owe him a debt of gratitude for his scheme whereby chauffeurs may be engaged through the Association, although but few will realise the vast amount of work entailed in bringing that scheme to successful fruition.

### Harbour Tunnel.

The somewhat phantasmal description of Hongkong in the year 1979, which appears on this page, may well contain a medium of true prophecy. One particularly apt reference applies to the present lack of modern communication between Hongkong and Kowloon. By modern communication, we except the present ferry service which is as up-to-date as any







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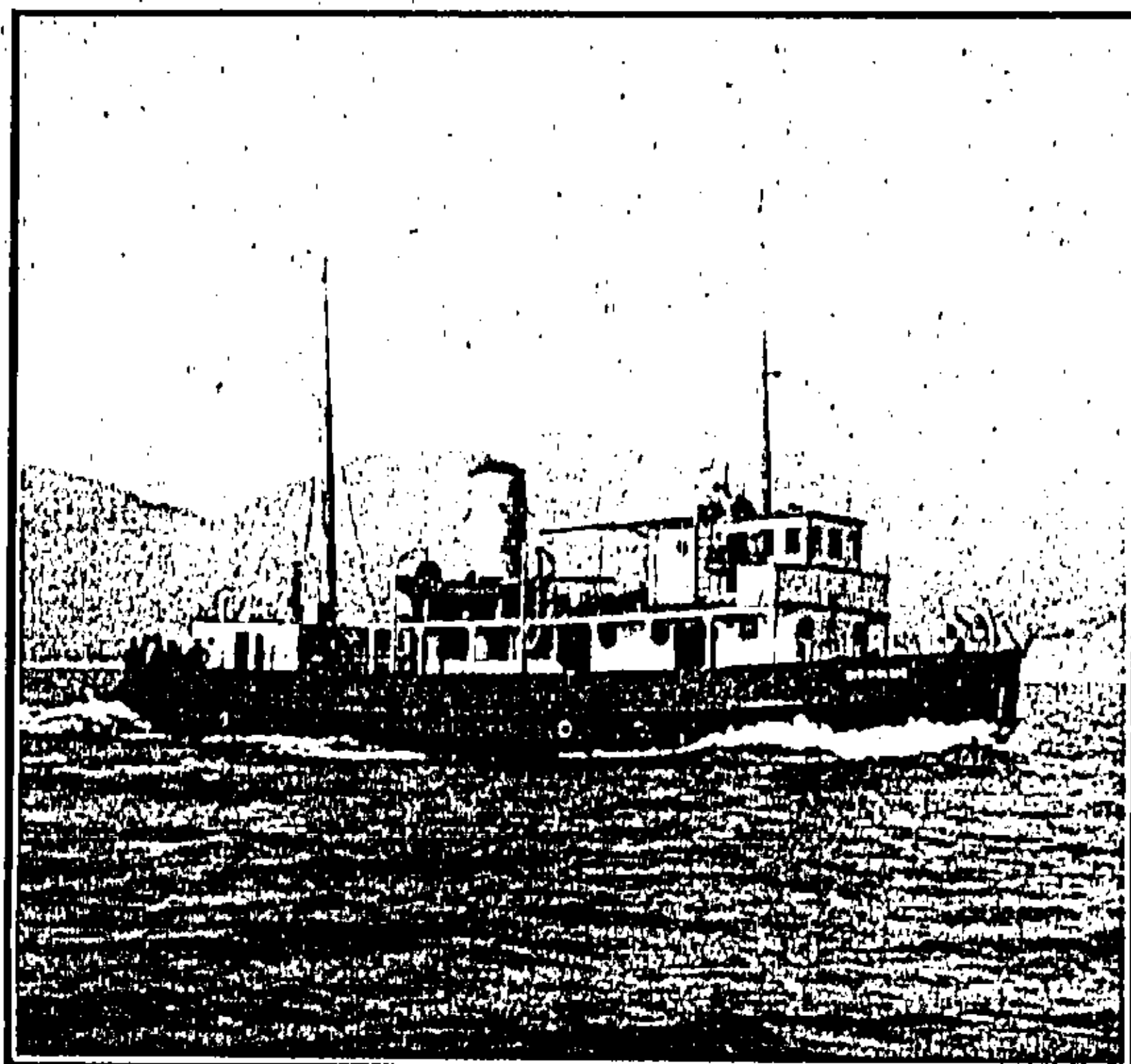
Past and present members of the Committee of the Tung Wah Hospital, photographed in front of the institution on the occasion of a re-union held on Sunday last. (Photo: Ying Fong).



The late Mr. Henry Arthur Jones, the celebrated novelist, who died at home recently.



The first match in the Sun Shield competition was played between teams representing the Navy and Army on Friday last, when the military team won by three clear goals. Our photo shows the teams before the match. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



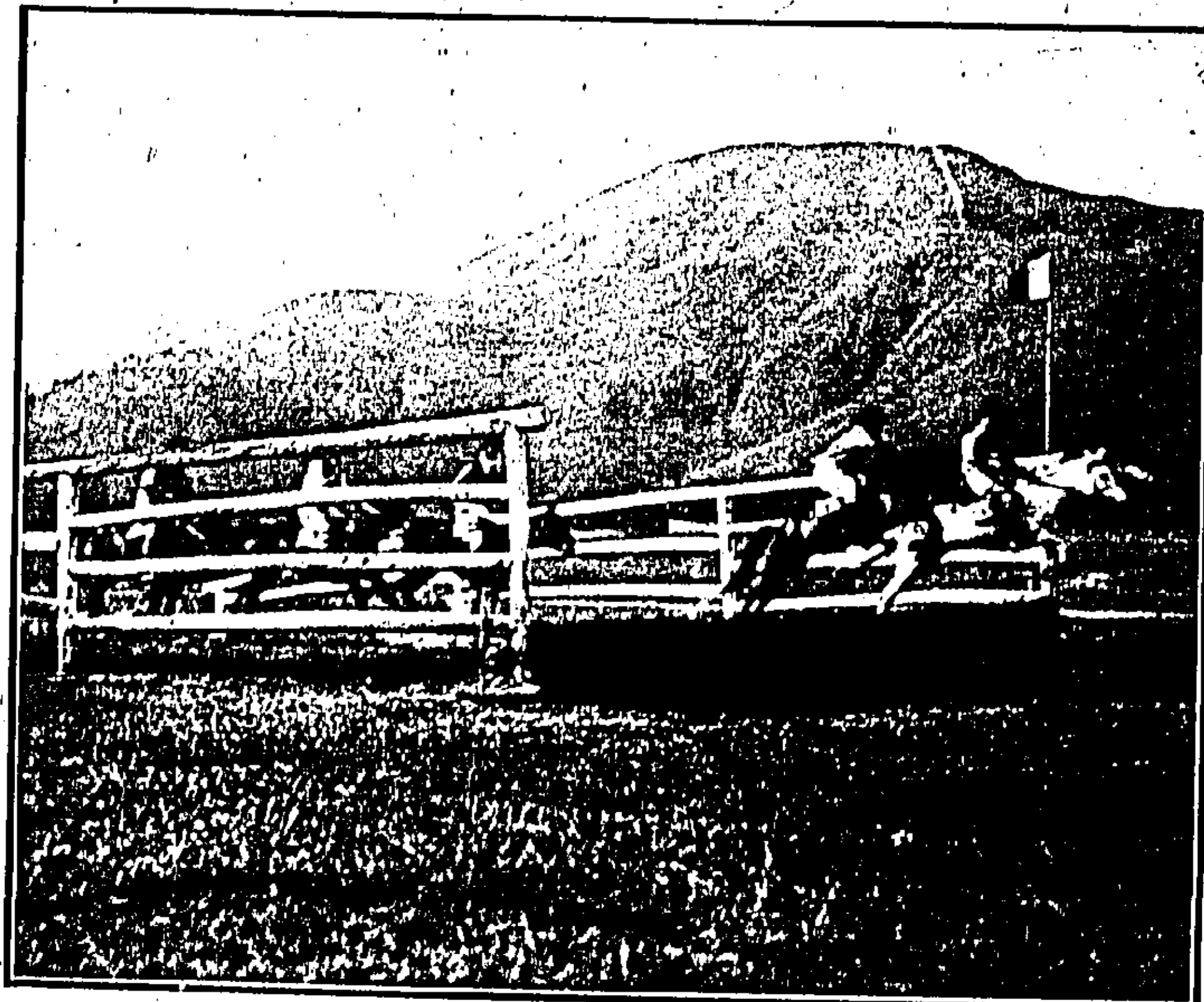
The above photo shows the new No. 3 Police launch undergoing full speed trials on Friday last. (Photo: A. Leung).



"Mr. Pickwick" has been produced at the Haymarket Theatre, London, by Mr. Basil Deane. Our picture shows Mr. Pickwick making his speech at the wedding breakfast at the Manor Farm, Dingley Dell. The play is by Messrs. Cosmo Hamilton and Frank C. Reilly, based on characters and scenes in Dickens. (Times copyright).



H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi) presenting the trophies at the conclusion of racing at the Kwantl Steeplechases held last Saturday.



A fine action picture taken at the water jump at Kwantl Steeplechases held last Saturday. Some good riding was seen.



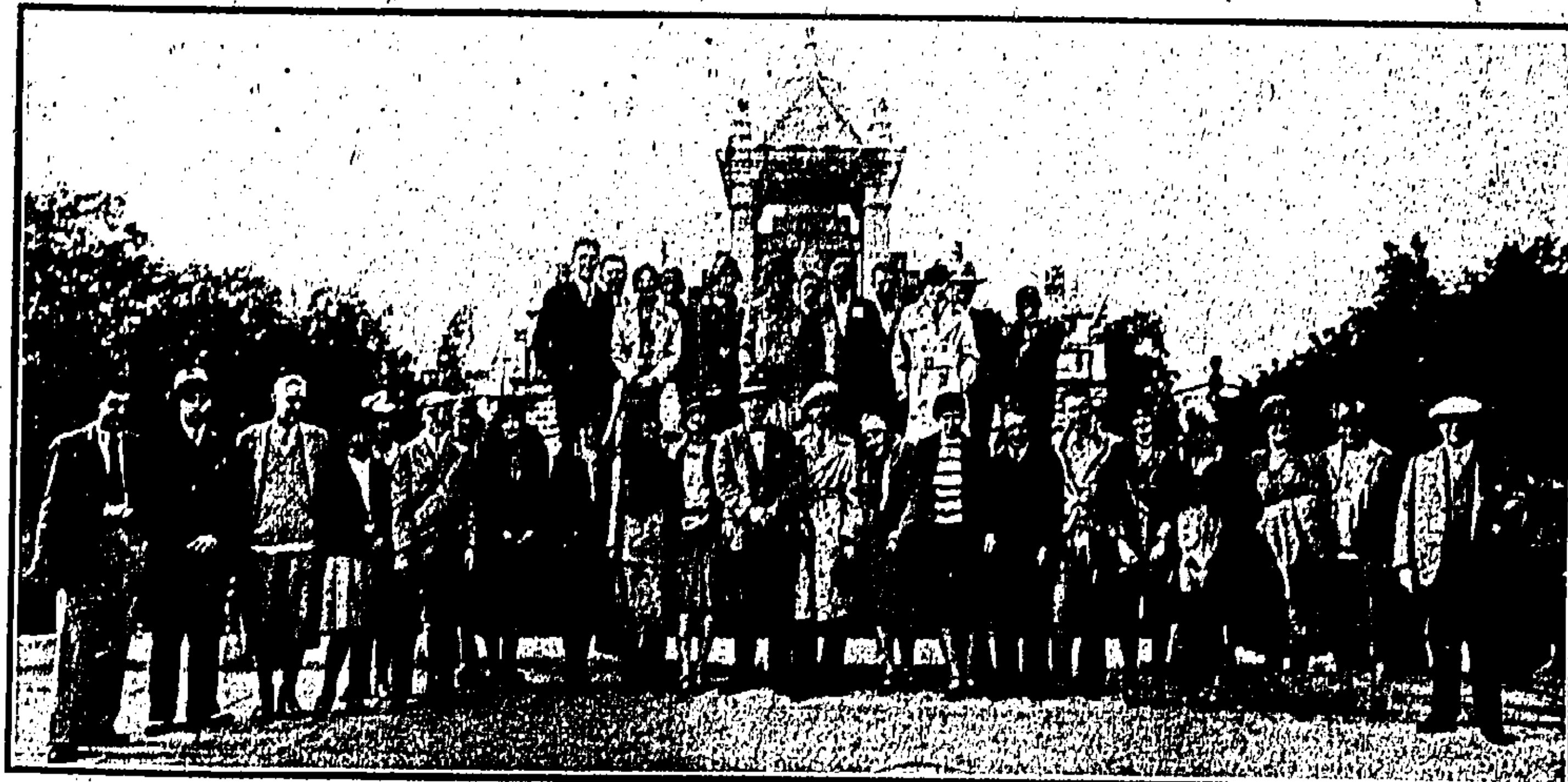
Mr. P. Jacobsen, the Chief Officer of the ill-fated s.s. Hsin Wah, who was the only European saved in the disaster. He was picked up by a fishing junk after having been many hours in the water. (Photo: A. Leung).



Graduates of the Engineering Faculty of the Hongkong University, who were presented with their degrees by H.E. the Chancellor at the Congregation held last week. (Photo: A. Fong).



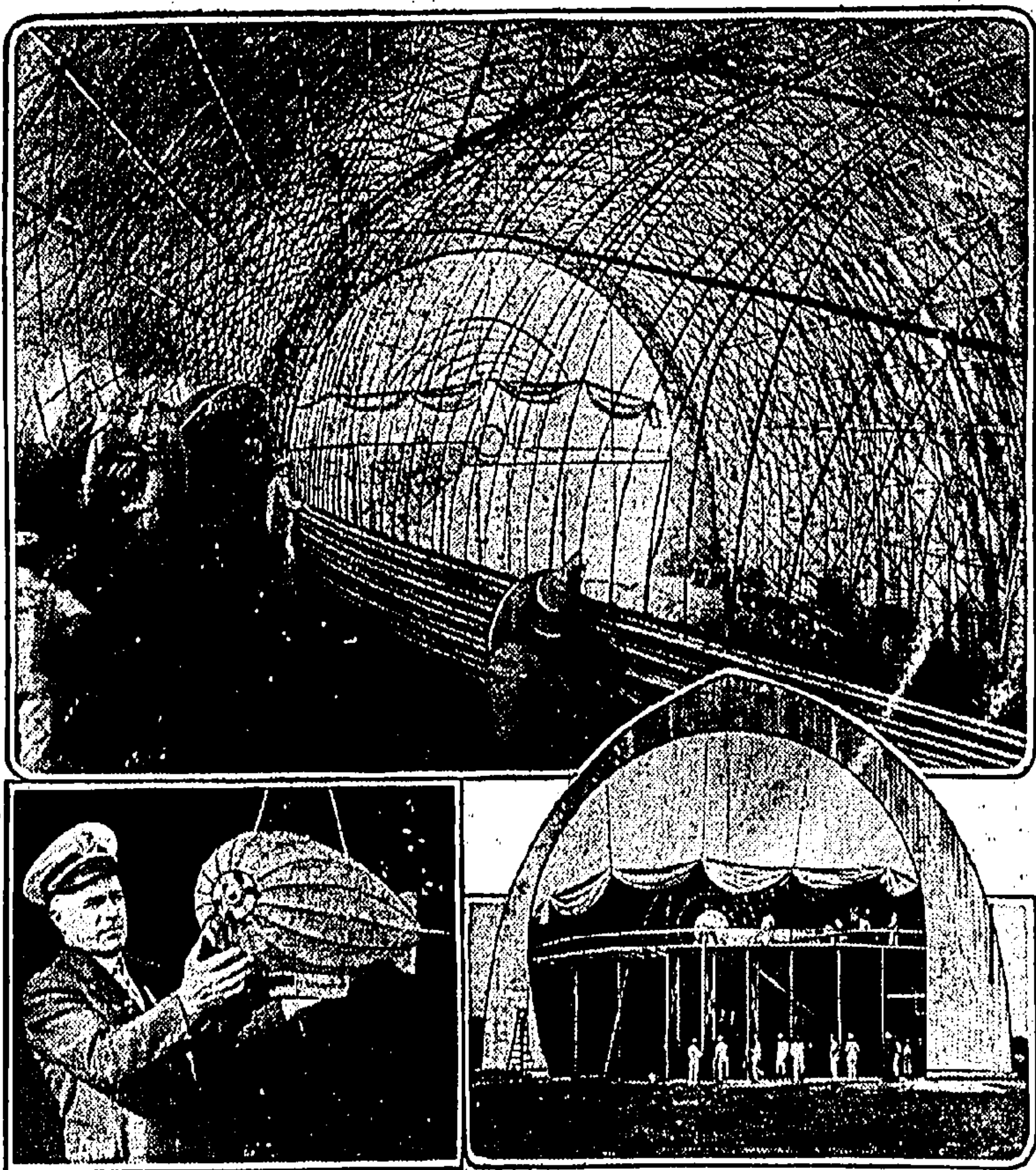
Graduates of the Faculty of Arts of Hongkong University, who were presented with their degrees by H.E. the Chancellor at the Congregation held last week. (Photo: A. Fong).



A party of American students have been spending ten days in Canton, and are sailing from Hongkong for Manila by the "President Hayes" to-morrow. Our photo was taken when the party visited the 72 Heroes Memorial in Canton.



## ALL METAL FLYING STEAMSHIP. NEW DIRIGIBLE BUILT IN CALIFORNIA.



At the top is an interior view of the giant hangar where the hull of the City of Glendale has been constructed. Captain Thomas B. Slate, designer, is shown, lower left, with a model of the dirigible as it would appear when completed. Right is shown one end of the hangar and the nose of the ship in which the steam turbine has been installed.

There has just been completed in California a new type of dirigible, and the following interesting article, written while the airship was in course of construction, tells of the new features embodied:

In a few more weeks the steamship City of Glendale will be ready for its maiden voyage, and the launching is eagerly awaited by the world of aeronautics.

For the City of Glendale, steamship though it is, will be the first real steam propelled air liner ever to be built.

Like the boats that plough the ocean lanes, it will be built entirely of metal. Like them, too, it will be propelled by the highly efficient but cumbersome steam turbine. But for the application of this motive power it will employ a principle never before used on any craft—water or air.

Is of New Design. If the City of Glendale sails as an engineering calculation indicates, a distinctly new trail will have been blazed in air travel.

If it buckles or bucks in a high wind—as many an aeronautical expert says it will—the third failure will have come to Captain Thomas B. Slate, the inventor and builder.

Two other dirigibles designed by Captain Slate were wrecked by storms before they were completed. The new ship, snugly housed in an immense metal hangar, at least is destined to live until the day when, partly lifted with gas, it will be moved out for installation of the cabin and engine.

Sees Success. But the inventor's confidence of success is growing as fast as the ship itself. He spends many hours each day directing the crews of workmen who are giving form to the maze of rods and aluminum strips that go into the hull. "She'll fly, all right," he says. "The speed ought to be between 90 and 100 miles an hour, fast enough to go from coast to coast in 36 hours with 40 passengers. We'll have no ball rooms or swimming, pools or promenade decks on this model, but she will be as comfortable as a Pullman car. Pullman type chairs will be converted into berths, and meals will be served buffet style."

### CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE.

#### HOW IT IS WRONGLY NAMED.

This is the jubilee of Cleopatra's Needle which stands on the Thames Embankment in London. There is no reason in the world why London should have a memorial of Cleopatra, but a like objection may be made to many more alarming monuments, and for that matter Cleopatra had nothing whatever to do with the needle. The great Pharaoh who made it would have heard with the deepest disgust that the obelisk declaring his glory was to bear the name of a creature who was merely a woman, and if anything a Greek. About thirty-five centuries ago Thothmes III, reigned in Egypt. He fought seventeen campaigns in Syria, Mehemet Ali, the Albanian adventurer, who more than once in his

ingenious career almost killed a European war, was making himself supreme in Egypt. He was a man of many inventions; being illiterate and a ruffian without any kind of scruple, he contrived to be a protégé of the Utilitarian sage, Jeremy Bentham. It occurred to him to win over the Governments of England and France by presenting to them the obelisks of Thothmes. Our soldiers made some experiments in moving the one bestowed upon us. Apart from adorning it with the immortal name of Cleopatra's Needle their efforts were not effective. We are seldom in a hurry in England. The thing was presented to us in 1819. In 1873 we brought it home. Even then the Government could boast that they had nothing to do with it. The surgeon Erasmus Wilson found the money, which was £15,000. The obelisk is some 70ft. high, and weighs 180 tons. The simple method adopted for shipping it

was to build an iron hull around it where it lay, drag that to the water, and tow it to the Thames. In the Bay of Biscay the "obelisk ship" met the usual weather, and had to be cut adrift. Over that six lives were lost. But the obelisk kept afloat, and she was brought in, and the obelisk of Thothmes was set up on the Victoria Embankment to commemorate Cleopatra, who had no more to do with it than with the trams. Thus is fame acquired.

### MEN ARE SO SLOW!

[By Ruth Anderson.]

There is no doubt that the average woman finds the average man extremely dull in taking up the "small change" of life. He is slow to catch a meaning, to throw back the ball in repartee.

Men ride life with a heavier hand than woman, and are consequently irritating partners in the game. If a wife accompanies her husband to a theatre, cinema, or party it is generally she who finds the seats, grasps and explains the plot, discovers their friends, and notices things generally.

The man who wants to engage the affections of a girl must also really try to cure himself of a natural predilection to disorder. If only he would endeavor not to throw his cigarette ash on the floor or in the summer grate when ash trays are at hand; if only he would not tramp in his dirty boots all over the hall, reduce cushions and chair covers to a crumpled mess; rumple rungs with his feet; eat cake standing up, scatter crumbs all over the carpet and then trample them in!

If only he would not make such a dreadful mess of the bathroom, with water swilled all over the walls, and soap melting in puddles! If only one could persuade him to come in quietly when he is late, put out the light when he is last, and not tramp about his room for hours like a heavy weight!

If only he would be reasonable about his food—it is not easy to provide a perfect dinner when the cook has departed in a temper—if he would give some material help in a domestic crisis instead of grumbling; if only he would not storm at waiters when he takes her out!

After all, if he wants her to love him blindly, it is very simple. He has only to study "the little things." Though "little," they are of paramount importance. They consist simply of a little thoughtfulness, a little imagination, a little care. Remembering a birthday, say, and noticing a new frock.

The man who is alive to the small needs of a woman possesses "the whole secret of success with the opposite sex." A woman will slave, to the bone for some one who seems to understand her and do little things for her.

Need Not Five Men. Only five men will be needed to man the craft, instead of the crew of 30 or 40 required by other dirigibles. Captain Slate's plans are bound ed by no narrow scope, for now, after overcoming the difficulties of financial backing and the destruction of his first two attempts, he seems on a fair way to success. Already plans have been made for the construction of two more ships, larger and faster than the City of Glendale, which is 212 feet long and will contain 300,000 cubic feet of gas. Slate is selecting air routes all over the world which some day may be travelled by his dirigibles.

Cheap to Operate. Economy of operation, he believes, will assure success of the craft as commercial ventures. He plans to carry not only passengers but freight; particularly perishable commodities that require smooth handling and quick trips to market.

That Captain Slate's design is theoretically sound is assured by the investigations conducted by backers before money was put up for construction of the City of Glendale. Practical fliers shake their heads dubiously. "All-metal construction, never will allow for the necessary flexibility to withstand sharp wind currents," they say. "And besides, the scheme has never been tried."

But it is being tried now. Men are working day and night to fit together the thousands of strips of paper-thin aluminum. [The ship has since been completed.]

### KING'S SOLOMON'S MINES.

#### FICTION MAY PROVE TO BE FACT.

A woman scientist intends to explore, under the aegis of the British Association, the legendary site of King Solomon's mines. Professor J. L. Myres, of New College, Oxford, entertains the possibility that Miss Gertrude Caton-Thompson's work may result in the discovery of a lost culture similar to that which Rider Haggard's pen has associated for all time with the Queen of Sheba. He points out that the "high scale" of the Zimbabwe ruins, the scene of Miss Caton-Thompson's excavations, cannot be reconciled with the low scale of the Kaffir as we know him. "Rider Haggard," he adds, "must have had this in mind. Now a woman archaeologist is going to explore the place. The idea is certainly a fascinating one."

Romance, and that science which concerns itself with the hardest of hard facts—archæology—were blended in interesting fashion in a conversation I had to-day with Professor J. L. Myres, of New College, Oxford, and next-door neighbour at Boar's Hill of Robert Bridges, the poet-laureate (writes an *Evening Standard* correspondent).

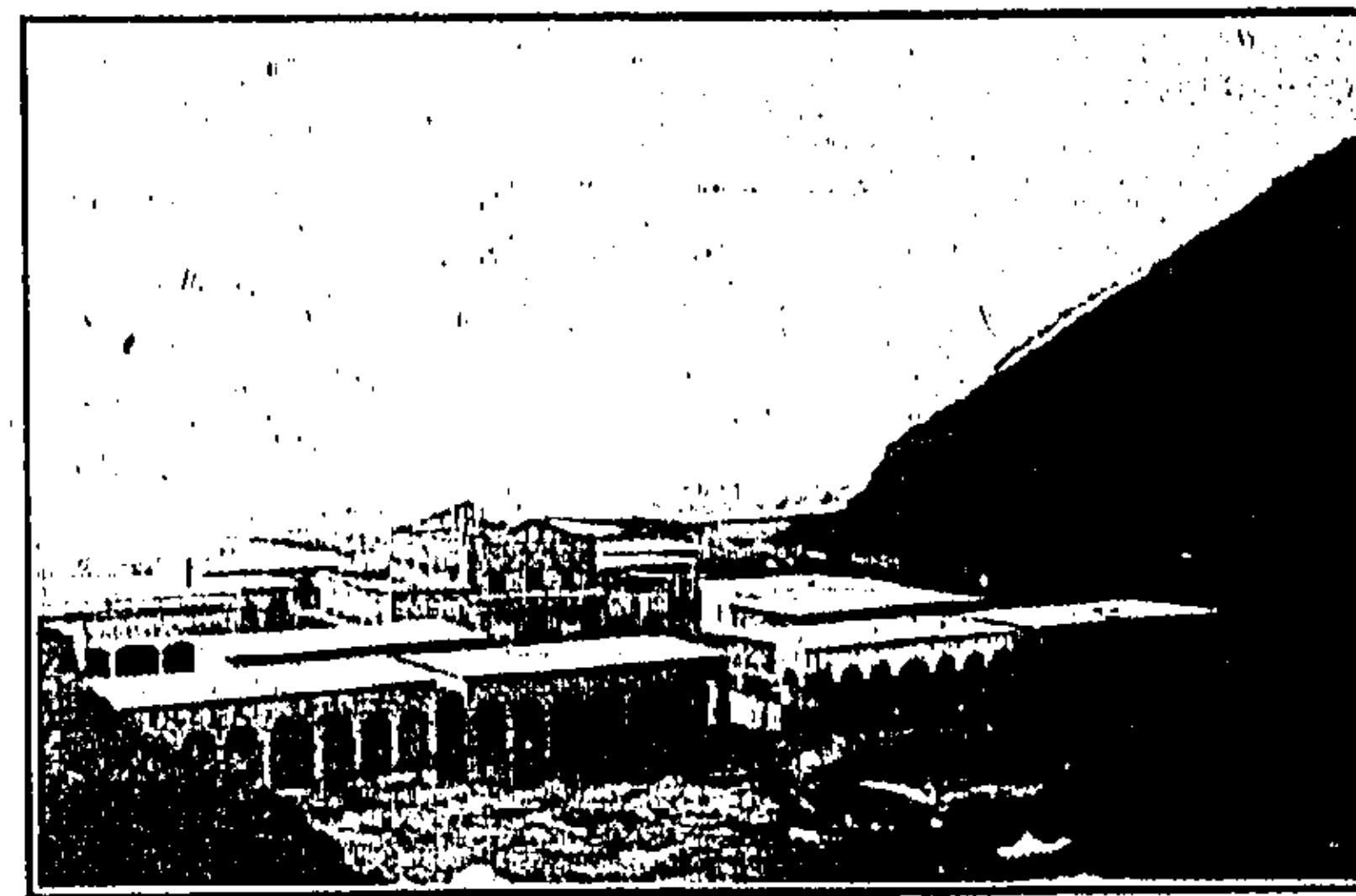
For we talked about a London woman who is going to explore the legendary site of King Solomon's mines, that mystery land associated for all time, through the magic pen of Rider Haggard, with the Queen of Sheba.

She is Miss Gertrude Caton-Thompson, the archaeologist, who has previously done brilliant work at Fayum, Egypt, and Malla. Under the auspices of the British Association Miss Caton-Thompson will leave England for Rhodesia at the beginning of December to carry out investigations of which Professor Myres himself has been the prime instigator.

"The ruins at Zimbabwe will be specially studied by Miss Caton-Thompson," said Professor Myres. "They have been known for a long time, and since Rhodesia began to be opened up there have been several attempts by local people to excavate the sites, with not very satisfactory results."

Old Speculations. "When the British Association went to South Africa in 1905, Dr. Randall MacIver, an archaeologist of very great experience was sent out to make a report in advance of the meeting, and he came to the conclusion that the ruins, so far as he had ascertained, were not later than A.D. 1300 or 1400. "But the local people were not satisfied, and there certainly are one or two very puzzling aspects of the situation which Miss Caton-Thompson will try to solve. Of course—though scientists are not supposed to be concerned with

## CHINESE LEPER COLONY. SPONSORED BY BAPTIST MISSION.



The above photograph shows first unit of eighteen buildings of the Tait Kaim Leper Colony, on Tait Kaim Island. The movement is sponsored by Rev. John Lake, of the Baptist Mission of Clinton. It is hoped to have four such units. This unit has just been completed and lepers have already entered their comfortable homes. The island was given by the Chinese Government and the deeds turned over to those who are heading the movement. The late Dr. Wu Ting-fang was very much interested in the movement and contributed liberally towards it.

romance—there has been a great deal of discussion about the association of the Queen of Sheba and King Solomon with the older civilisation which might have existed there.

"Rider Haggard's book was largely written round some of the old speculations. Naturally the book was neither archaeology nor history. There is, however, a distinct possibility that something more may be found than scientific excavation has yet discovered. There lies the romance."

A Lost Culture. "The main features of the position may be stated quite briefly. The things which have been found so far in the ruins for the most part resemble the handiwork of the modern Kaffir. But then the question arises, 'How did it come about that the people with this kind of culture could carry out such work as these ruins once were, and which the Kaffir of to-day admittedly could not construct?'"

"If there is here evidence of a lost culture, how old was that culture? How can the high scale of these ruins be reconciled with the comparatively low scale of the native as we know him?"

"Then, again, there is no known connexion with this type of culture and that of any other in any part of the world. It is quite isolated."

"The ruins themselves consist of the so-called fortresses and temples, which are large circular walls in native stone, with strongly fortified gateways. Then, there are traces of terraces and regular highways, which looks as if the country at one time were much more thickly populated and had a greater traffic and commerce."

"Rider Haggard must have had all this in mind. Now a woman archaeologist is going to 'explore the place.' The idea is certainly a fascinating one."

Report to B. A. Meeting. "As far as the actual work goes, I do not know whether Miss Caton-Thompson has yet decided whether she will take another woman with her. There is no question of hardship or danger."

"She will start work in the spring, and will report the result of her first season's investigations

to the meeting of the British Association which takes place in South Africa in July and August."

When Miss Caton-Thompson set out to see evidence of the earliest civilisation at Fayum, Egypt, she was accompanied by another London woman who is a geologist—Miss Gardner. The two went out prepared to rough it, their only means of transport being an old car, in which they had to go many miles from their camp to obtain food and water. The clues she obtained pointed to Western influences in the Fayum region further back than 4000 B.C.

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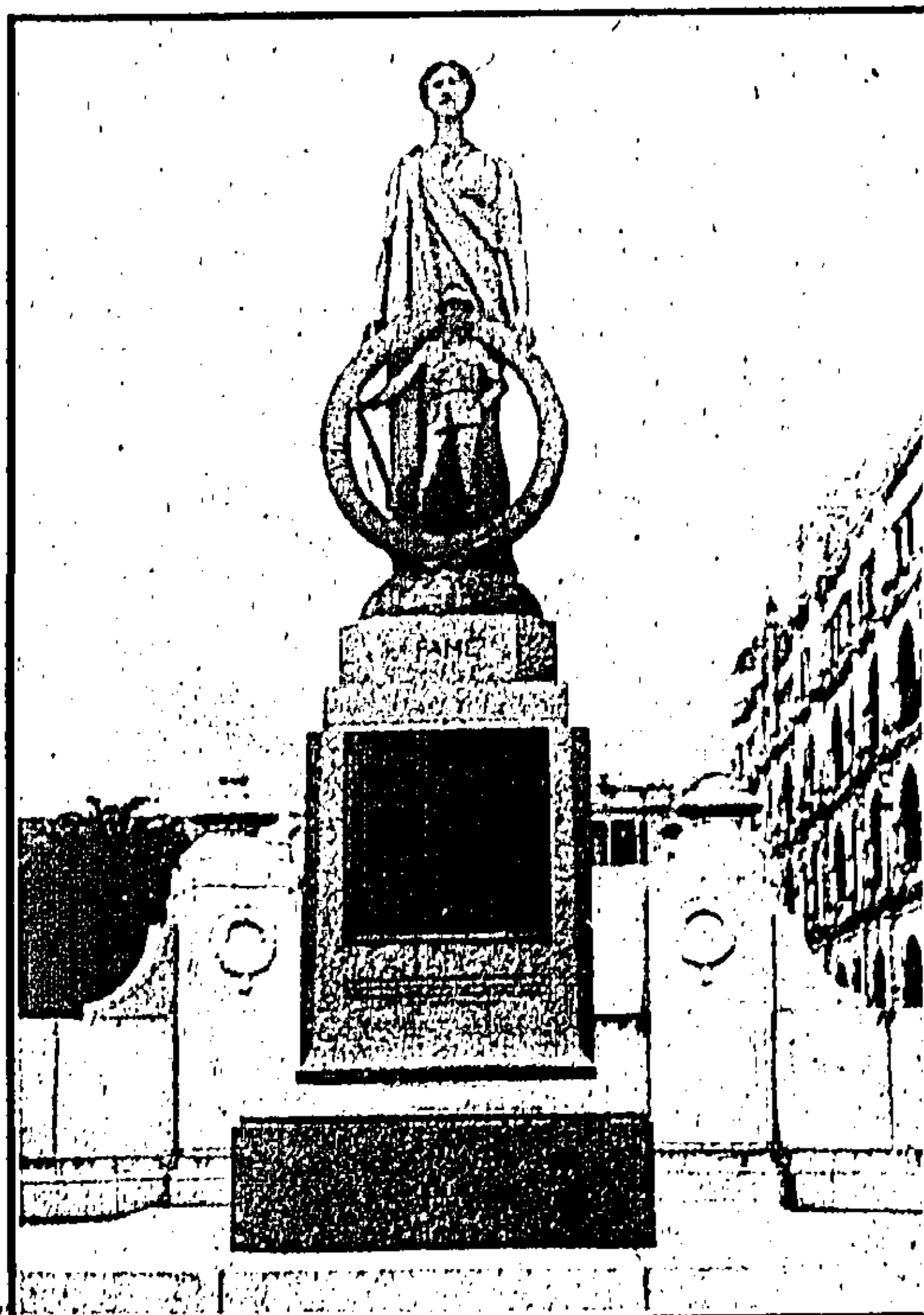
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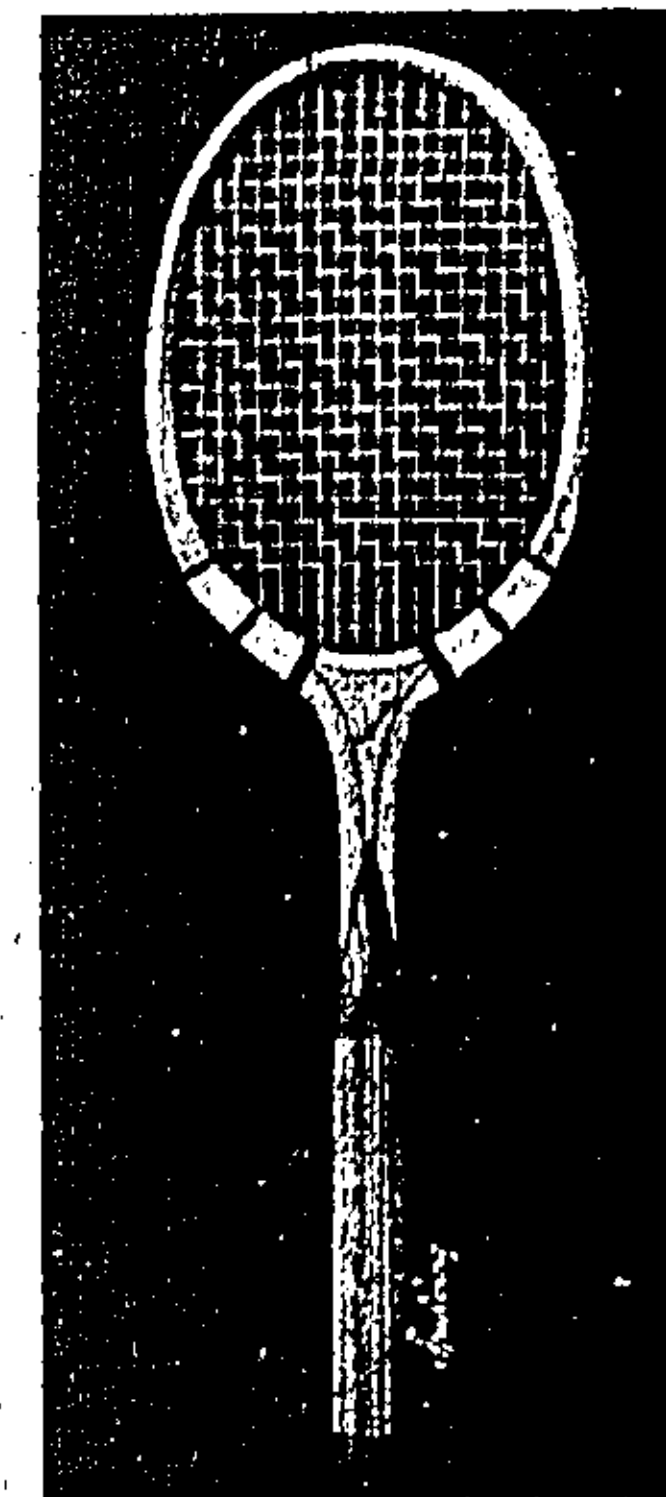


In memory of the men of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank whose lives were given for their country in the Great War, the above memorial stands on the Praya, in front of the Bank.

In front of the figure of "Peace" there stands a British soldier in a wreath of honour, and below on the granite pedestal is inscribed the famous lines:

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# The Role of Fur in Paris Fashion

BY JEAN PATOU

Paris.  
**T**HE subject of winter fashions can hardly be mentioned to-day without a serious consideration of furs. And yet this was not always so. If a couturier ventured 25 years ago to speak with confidence and authority about furs in general he would have been regarded as something like an imposter, or at best a craftsman wandering in a field foreign to him.

A quarter of a century ago a fur coat was a heavy, stiff and cumbersome affair, with very little beauty except that of the natural pelt. It was further stiffened by coarse linen linings and the result was that women looked bereft of any grace of line.

Then the couturier entered the field of fur. There was a great demand for him. He treated fur with the art of the dressmaker. What personality or originality would an afternoon ensemble offer without the necessary fur trimming? As for an evening coat, it is the lavish use of soft and precious furs allied with luxurious fabrics that strike the note of sumptuousness essential in any gala dress.

The couturier began by enlisting the aid of competent men who knew their jobs well and who combined the profession of furrier with that of the dress creator. The result is now seen by the fact that furs can be handled with the same facility as a piece of material.

**F**OR a long time (I am speaking of years before the war), it hurt my sense of the aesthetic to see women placed to so great a disadvantage with their furs. That is why I decided to have my own furs worked under my direction.

From that time on couturiers worthy of the name followed the lead and started in to manipulate pelts as they should be, although with a certain amount of prodigality. After a while nobody dreamed of questioning this prerogative nor of contesting the influence which the use of fur was bound to have on fashions in general.

We have now reached the point where fur plays a much more important part in fashions than that of an additional trimming. It not only does this but also emphasizes the lines of a coat, when it does not constitute in itself the characteristic movement of a creation.

It is not necessary to be a dress creator to realize that an effect arrived at by placing material in a certain fashion is intensified a hundredfold if fur is used to outline it. The softness of the fur can never hurt the eye and it helps to underline any intricacies of cut that otherwise might be passed by.

But for a couturier to possess a fur department is not enough. The matter of getting the best of a great variety of fur from the most reliable sources of supply is of first importance, to say nothing of the time and skill required in the numerous operations fur has to undergo before it becomes a fashionable coat.

**A**n establishment such as mine, utilizing a really important quantity of fur each season, can but effect purchases in the country of origin. If women stopped to think of the hardships, efforts and sacrifices entailed to obtain and offer them furs for their adornment, they might appreciate better a feature of fashions that has become indispensable to them.

How few women, possessing a valuable coat of chinchilla or sables, realize that in order to give their wraps that look of continuity several hundred yards of seaming has to be done.

When they happen to see the inside of their coats they are apt to believe they are all made up of small pieces, which is wrong. All these seams represent a great art, one in which the French furrier excels.

Few women know that furs like sealskin, for example, arriving on the London market from the glacial regions, achieve their "etape" in Paris, where they are sent for dyeing purposes, afterwards returning to London to undergo the final preparation.

From there they are shipped to every country in the world and it sometimes happens that a skin will return to its point of departure. I have known several people who have been happy and proud to buy and bring back furs from their place of origin, little dreaming that they thus have made them effect a third voyage across the Atlantic.

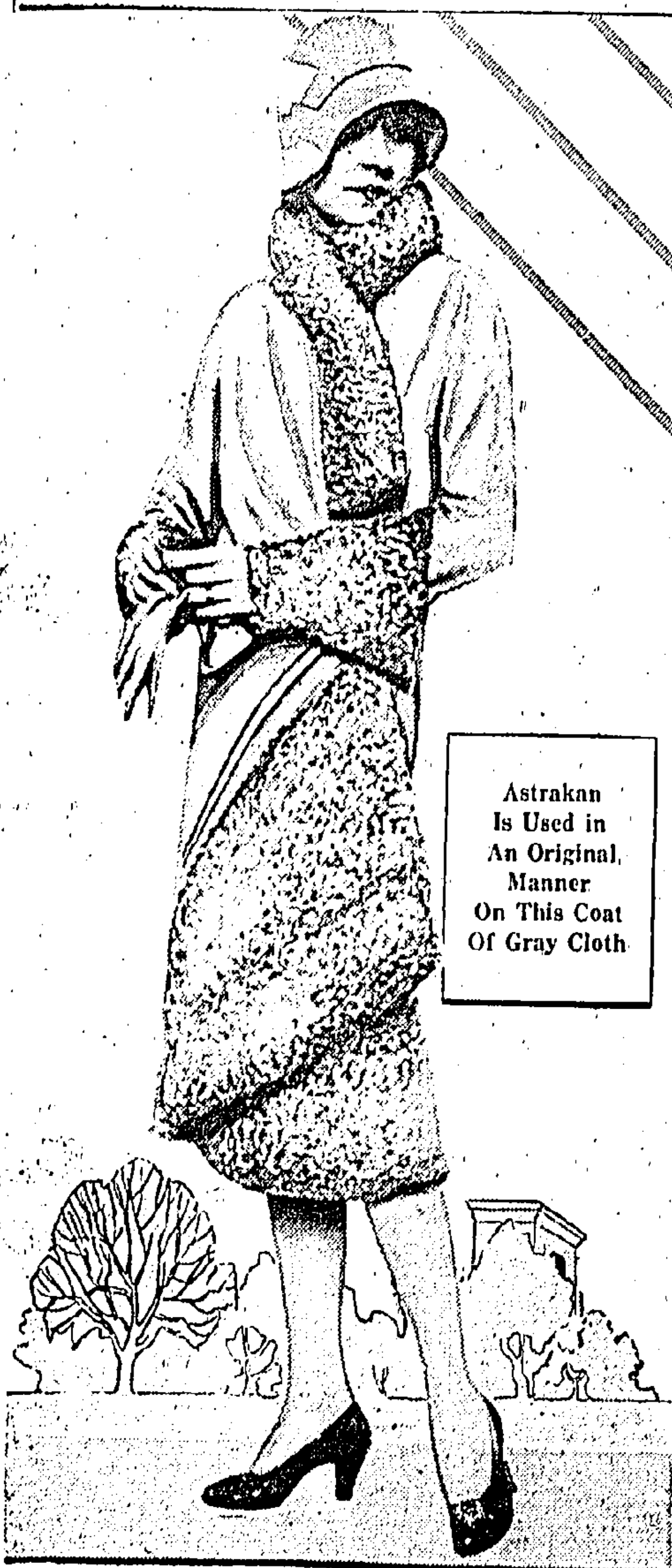
**T**HERE is no denying the fact that Paris now launches fur modes just as it does all others. The proof of this statement can be found in the way furriers allow themselves to be guided by the fashions launched by the dress creators before creating their own models.

With the couturier the preparation of furs is on the road to becoming a fine art. He is continually seeking for new ideas and new methods of utilizing this now indispensable medium of adorning his elaborate creations, and although immeasurable progress has been made in this direction, I hope to go on doing better until something like perfection has been reached.



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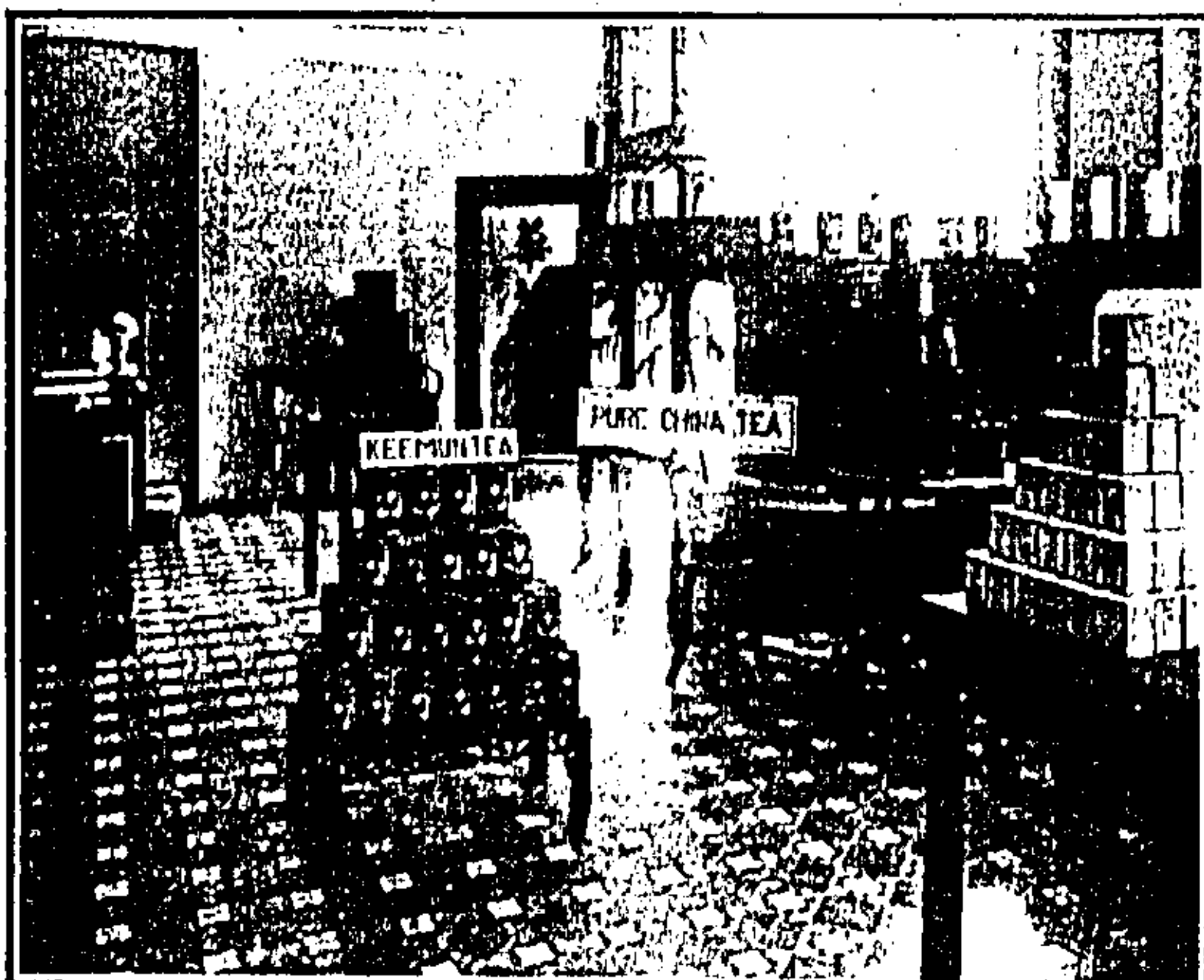
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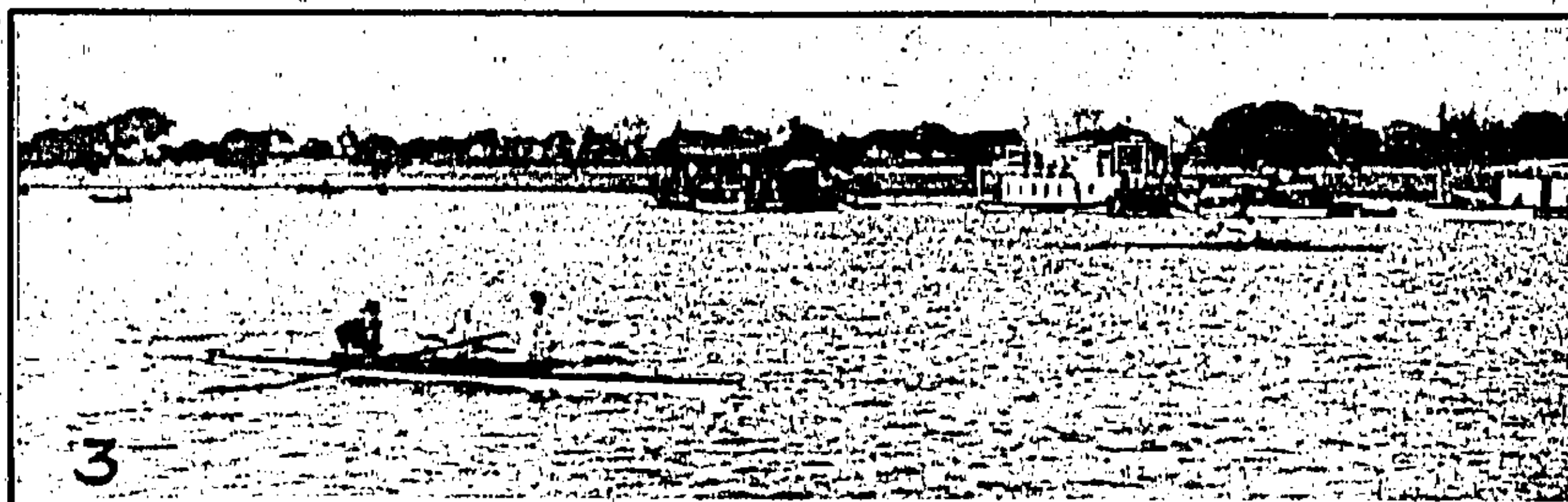
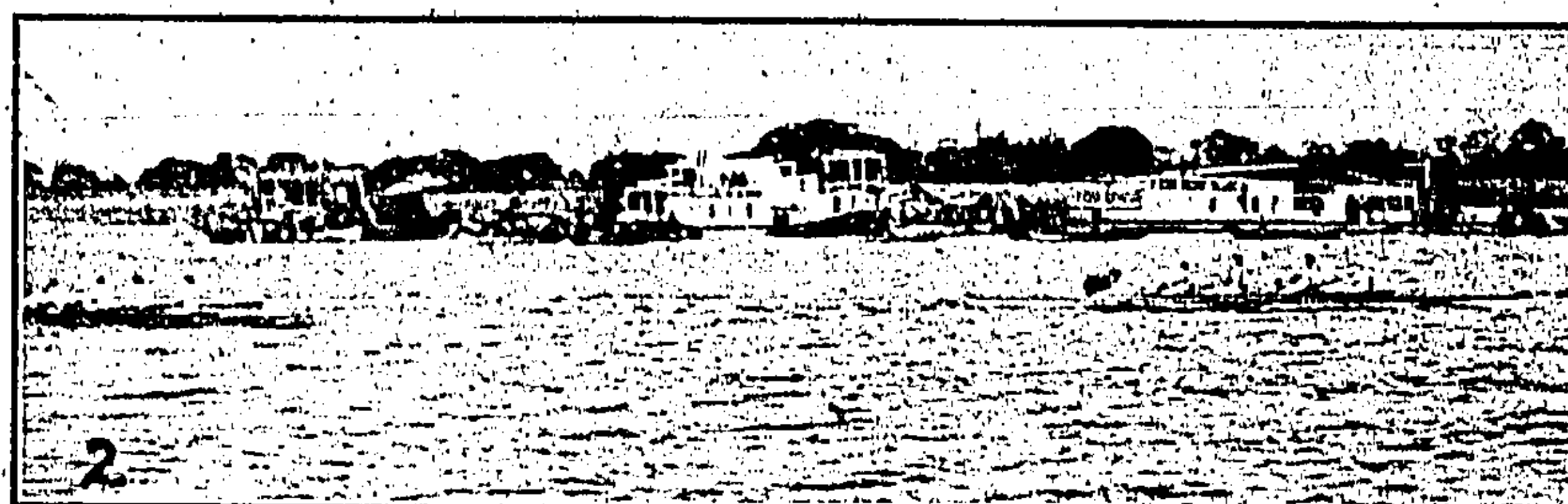
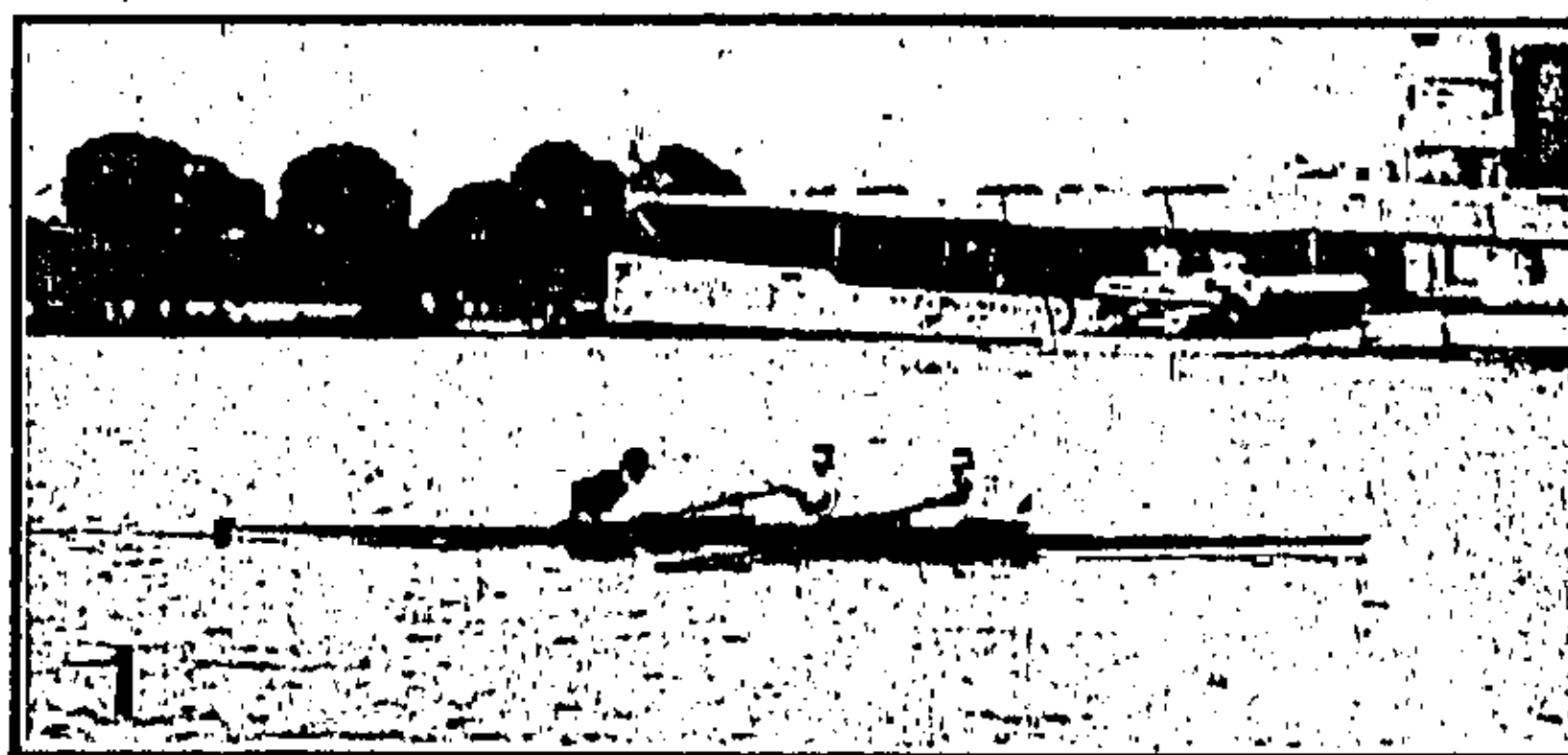
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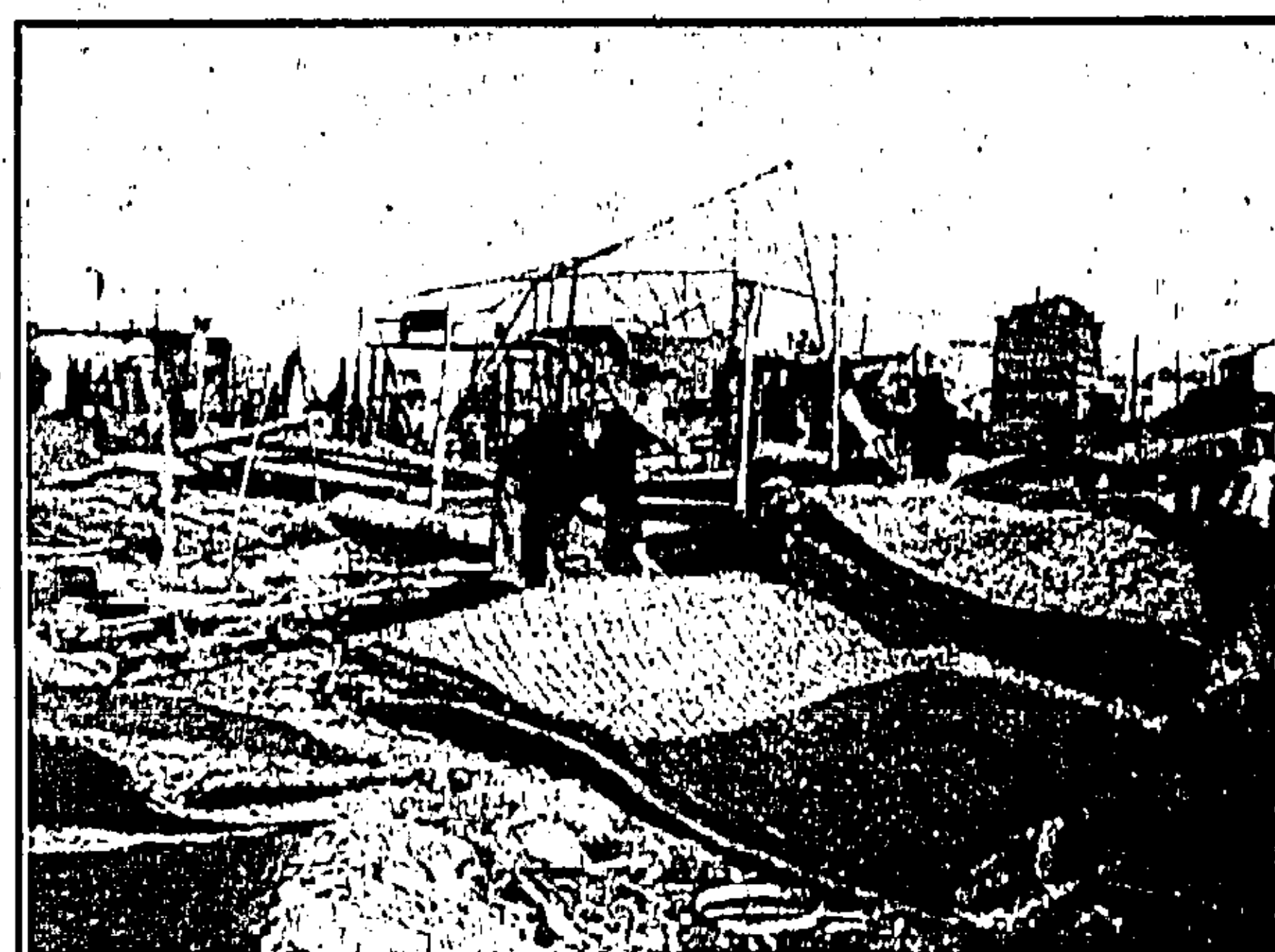
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The above photographs were taken at Canton on Saturday at the Regatta between the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and the Canton Rowing Club, which resulted in a win for Hongkong by four points to three. 1.—R. Schmidt (bow), G. Deyhle (stroke), and E. W. Schramm (cox) winning the Senior Pairs for Hongkong. 2.—A. H. Chambers (bow), J. A. E. Kendrew (No. 2), G. T. Padgett (No. 3), W. Sporleder (stroke) and E. W. Schramm (cox) winning the regatta and graph Challenge Cup for Junior Fours. Padgett, who broke his rowlock, is seen carrying his oar. 3.—G. Hansen (bow), W. Sporleder (stroke) and F. P. Lenfesty (cox) winning the Junior Pairs for Hongkong. 4.—The crew of the French gunboat Vigilante winning the naval race by five lengths from the crew of H.M.S. Tarantula.



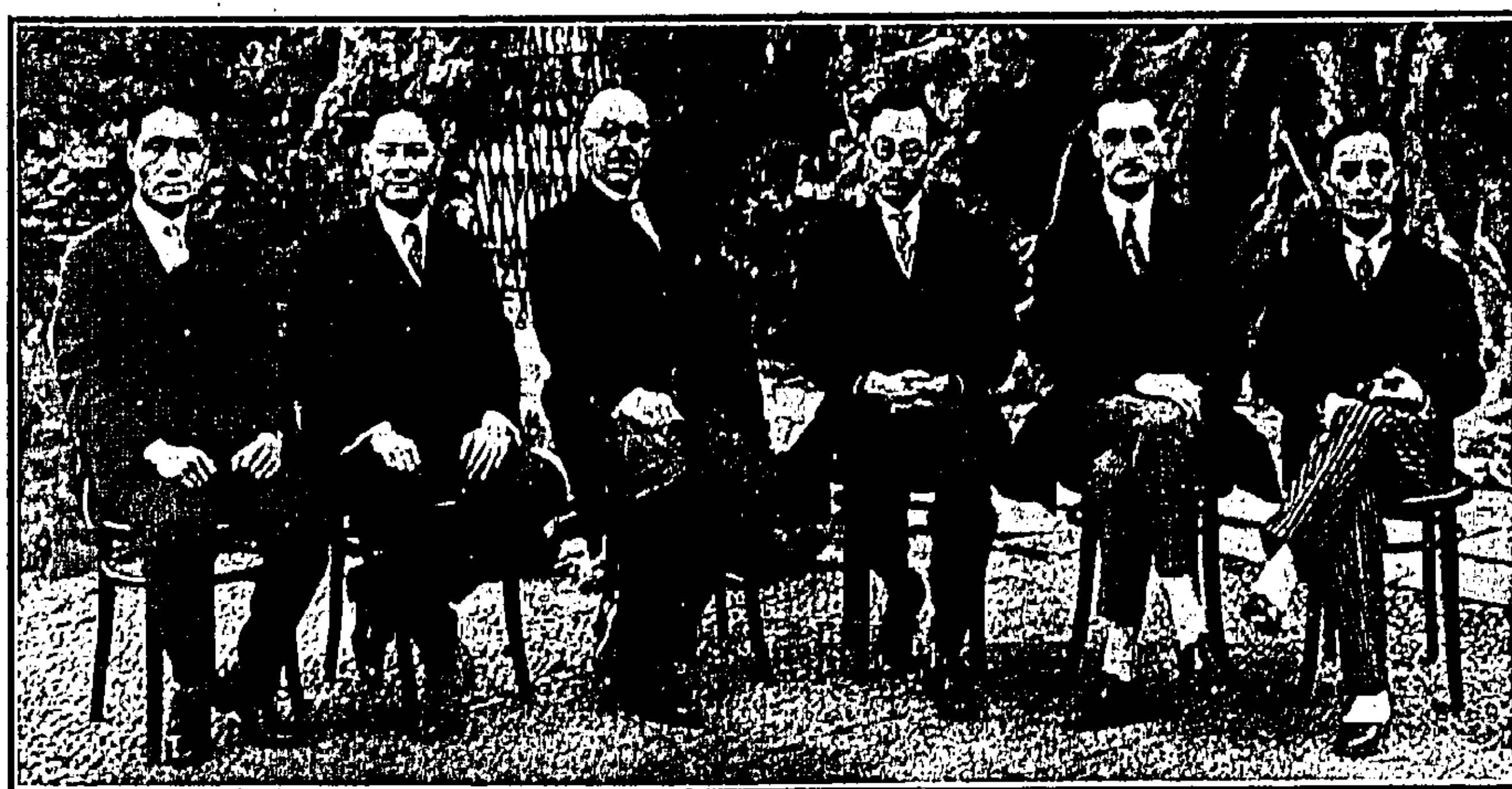
A disastrous fire took place at Swatow on Friday last, several million dollars worth of damage being done. The fire started in a match shed and eventually involved a timber yard, kerosene godown and many houses.



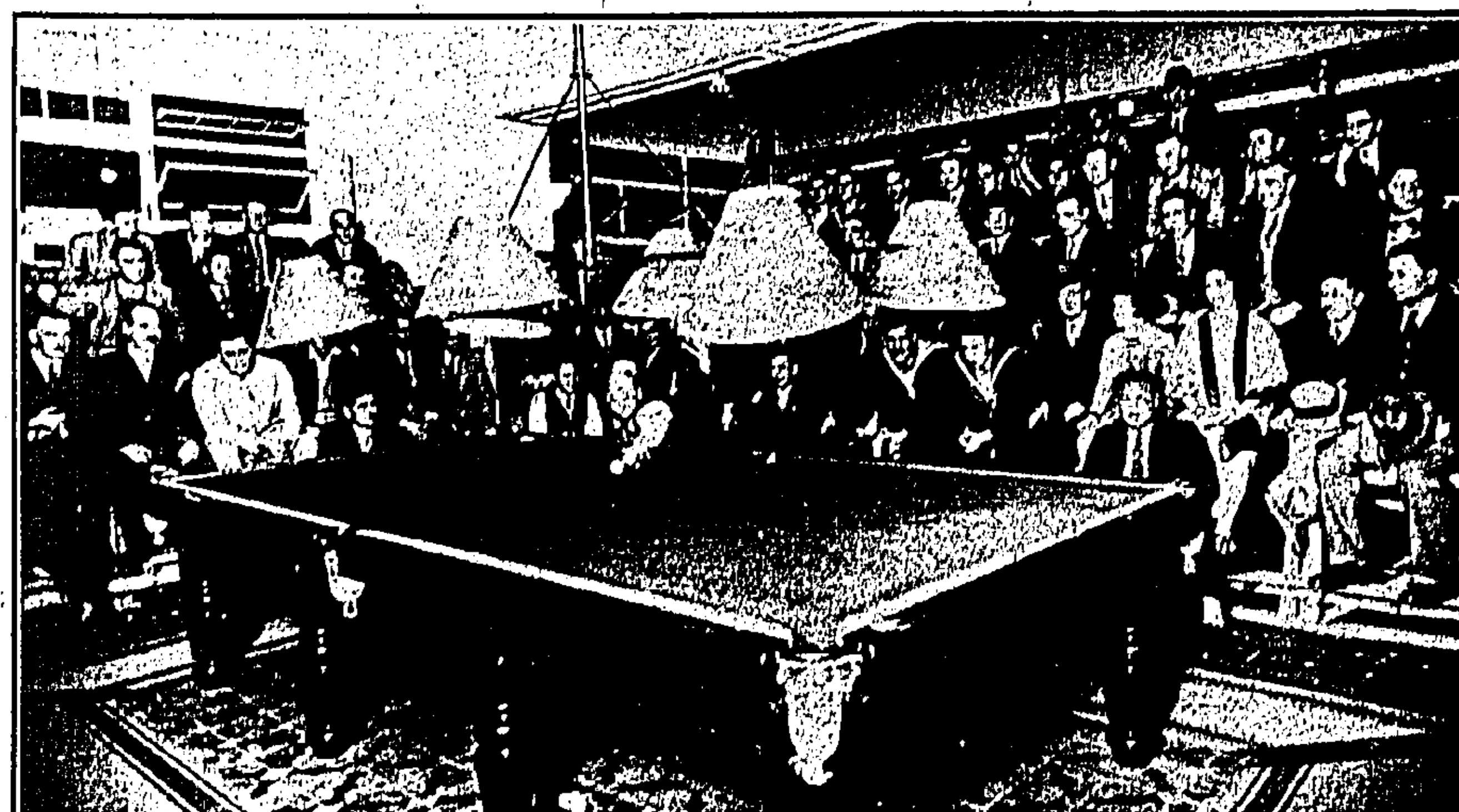
This old lady celebrated her 101st birthday at Kowloon Tong on Sunday last. She is Mrs. Lai, mother of Mr. Lai Chark-tong. There were four generations of descendants present.



A kerosene godown was gutted in the fire which took place at Swatow on Friday last. Drums of oil exploded with a terrific roar.



Group photograph taken on the occasion of the visit to Canton of H. E. Henrik de Kauffmann, Danish Minister to China. In the group will be seen Mr. Chu Chao-hsin (Commissioner of Foreign Affairs), M. Avenol (of the League of Nations), H. E. Chan Ming-shu (Provincial Chairman), and M. de Kauffmann.



Photograph taken at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon, on Tuesday, when the world-famous billiards player Claud Faulkner, played A. J. Osmund, the Colony's Champion. The visitor won easily, his big breaks including one of 375. Our picture shows Faulkner in play. (Photo: A Leung.)

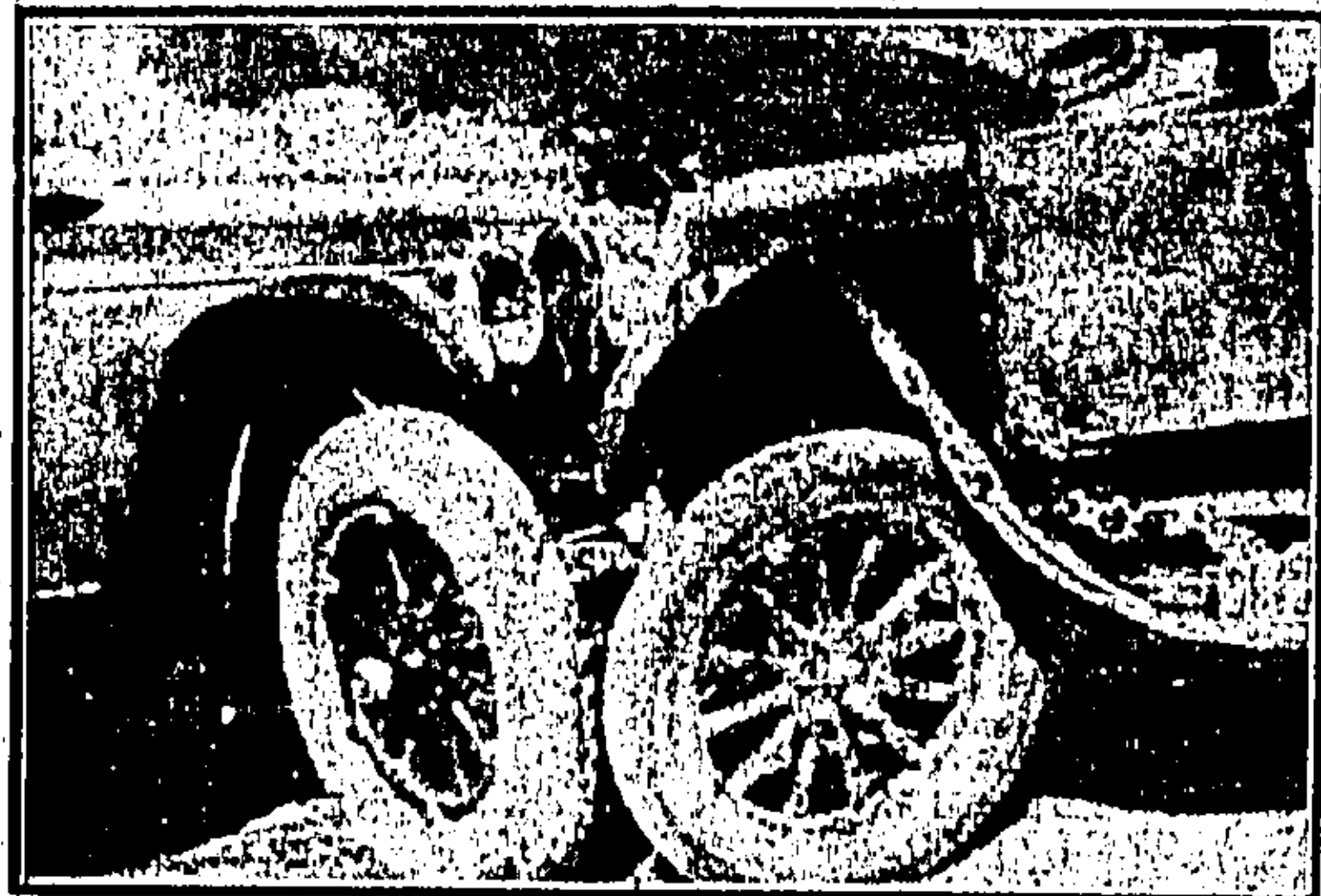


A little Chinese girl seated among the ruins after the disastrous fire at Swatow on Friday last, when many families were rendered homeless.



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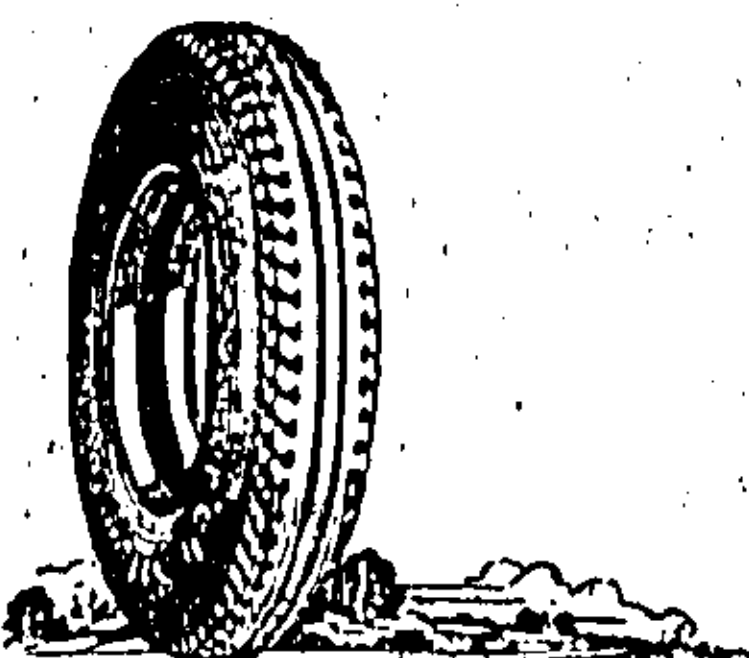
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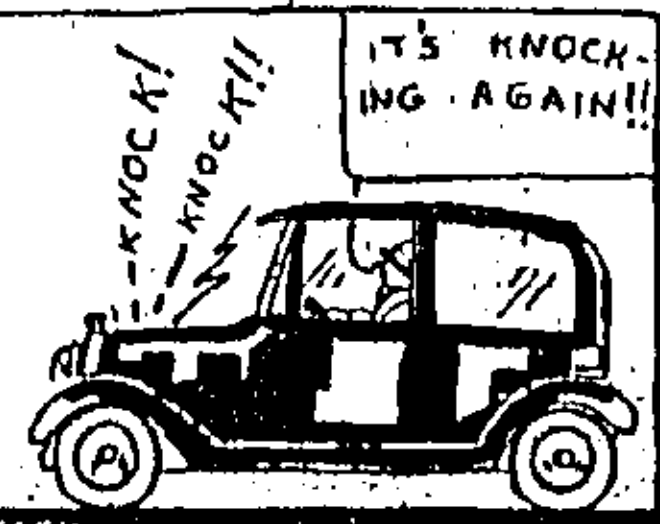
Time was when "gas was gas" but that era was long ago and now there are "fifty-seven varieties" to choose from. Anti-knock gasoline, high compression gasoline, high test gasoline and the "common or garden" variety are offered by nearly all the prominent oil companies and "tanking up" is almost as much of an adventure as Christmas shopping. Anti-knock and high compression gasoline are two names for the same fuel, that is a gasoline of such qualities as to resist detonation or "pinking" under conditions of use as to compression and temperature of engines that would cause detonation and knocking with ordinary gasoline. This kind of fuel is gasoline to which is added some anti-detonative material or it is gasoline distilled from such a crude and by such processes that it contains a minimum proportion of those hydrocarbons that tend to detonate and a maximum proportion of those which do not. Gasolines of high compression and anti-knock characteristics are specially adapted for use in engines that have high compression ratios and for which such special fuels are specified or advised. They are also desirable for use, temporarily at least, in engines which are carbonized to such a degree as to reproduce in their cylinders the temperature and pressure conditions found in high compression engines and thus knock when ordinary gasoline is used. High-test gasoline is gasoline which contains a higher proportion of highly volatile constituents and therefore a lower proportion of heavy involatile hydrocarbons than does ordinary commercial gasoline. On that account a larger fraction of it will evaporate and mix with air at low temperatures and a less fraction will fail to evaporate and find its way into the crankcase to thin the oil. High test (sometimes called aviation) gasoline may therefore be advantageously used as fuel for engines which are kept and operated under very cold conditions as extreme choking at starting may thus be lessened and the warming up period shortened. For engines that are housed in heated garages and usually kept warmed up while in service and for those having ordinary compression ratios, not classed as high, and in which there are no troublesome deposits of carbon or cooling deficiencies, the regular commercial grades of gasoline are satisfactory as fuel.

Causes of Hard Starting.



Question:—I have an engine of which is hard to start after it has stood idle for a couple of days. Gasoline drips from the carburetor. Could that be the cause of this? If not, what can you suggest?

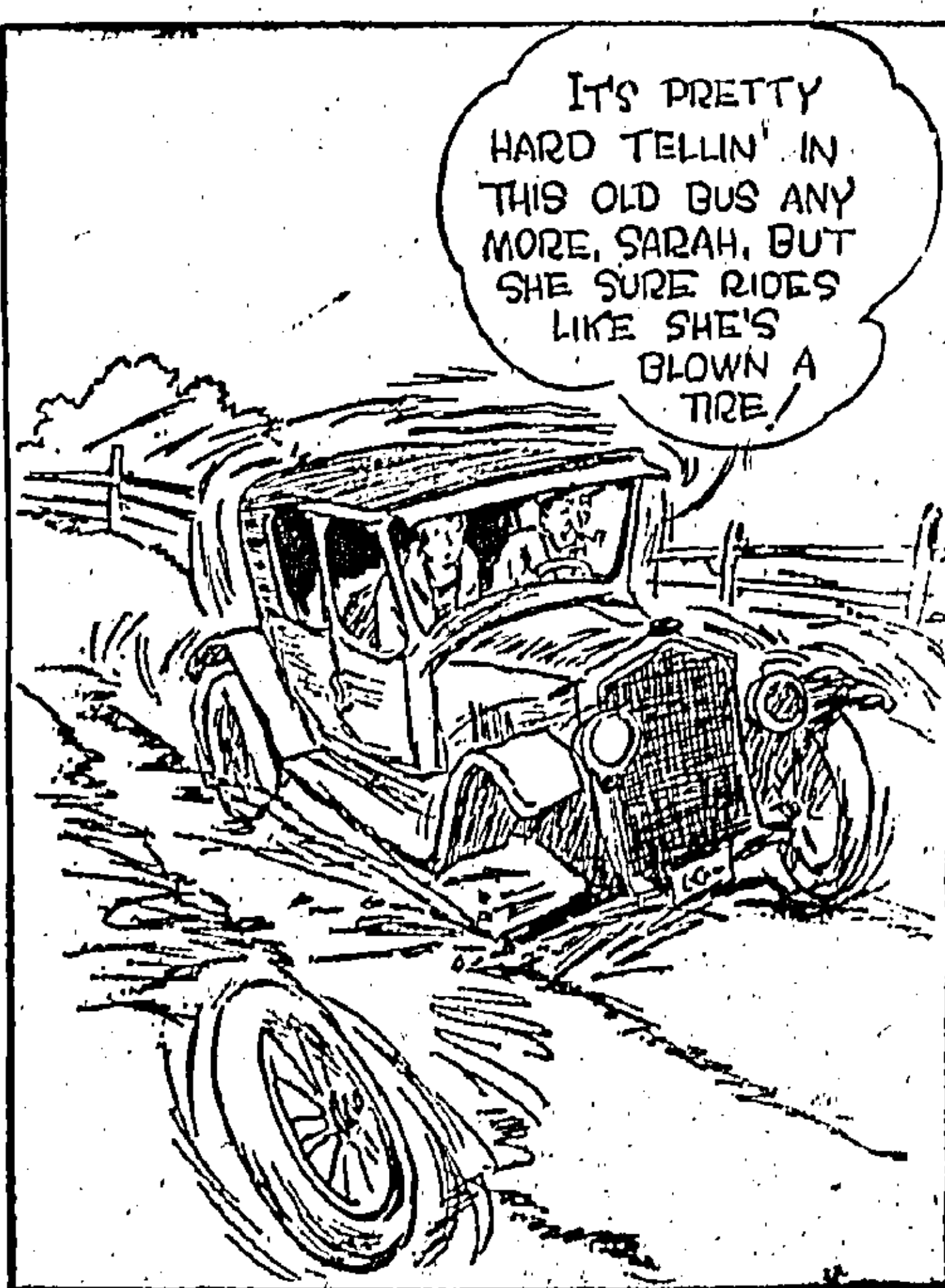
Answer: You should have this leakage stopped at once, but we do not believe it is the cause of hard starting. Among the possible causes of your starting trouble may be the following: Failure of the dash control to give a sufficient excess of gasoline. The use of very low grade fuel. Battery at a low state of charge, causing low cranking speed and reduced voltage in the ignition system. Sparkplug points set further apart than they should be. Air leakage around the carburetor flange or elsewhere into the intake. Cylinders lacking in gas-tightness. Use of engine oil that becomes unnecessarily stiff, when cold.



Question: A knock developed in my engine and, thinking it was from a connecting-rod, I tightened them all, but since then the engine has a bad knock, when throttled down very low. When I short-circuit the plug of the third cylinder, the knock ceases entirely. What causes this knock?

Answer: Probably the wrist-pin in the third cylinder is badly worn. It is unlikely that the connecting-rod bearing is loose, as this seldom causes a knock during idle operation. Our belief is that you will have to replace the wrist-pin in this cylinder. Certainly you will have to remove this piston assembly and you can inspect the piston for slap, at the same time you look after the wrist-pin.

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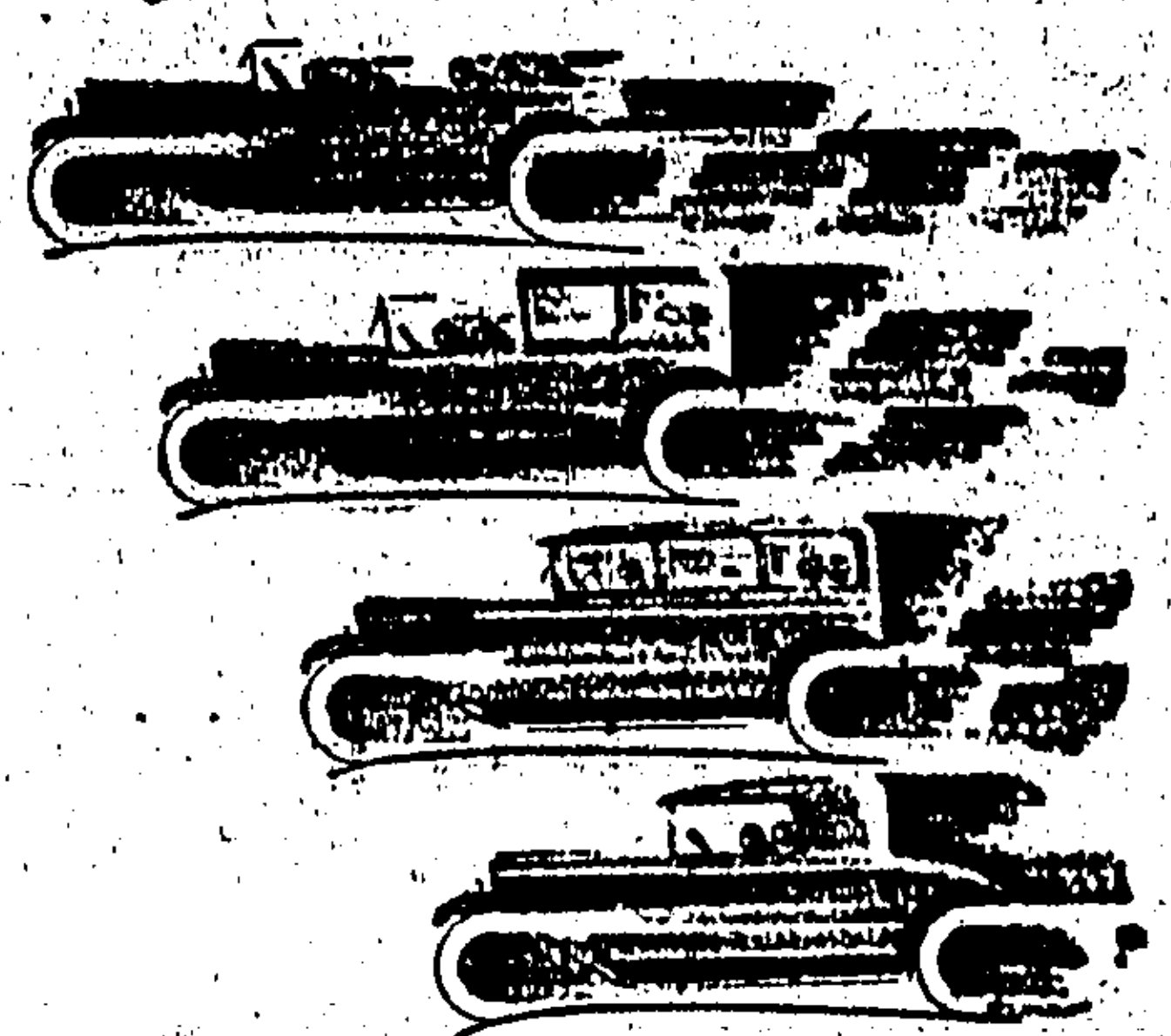
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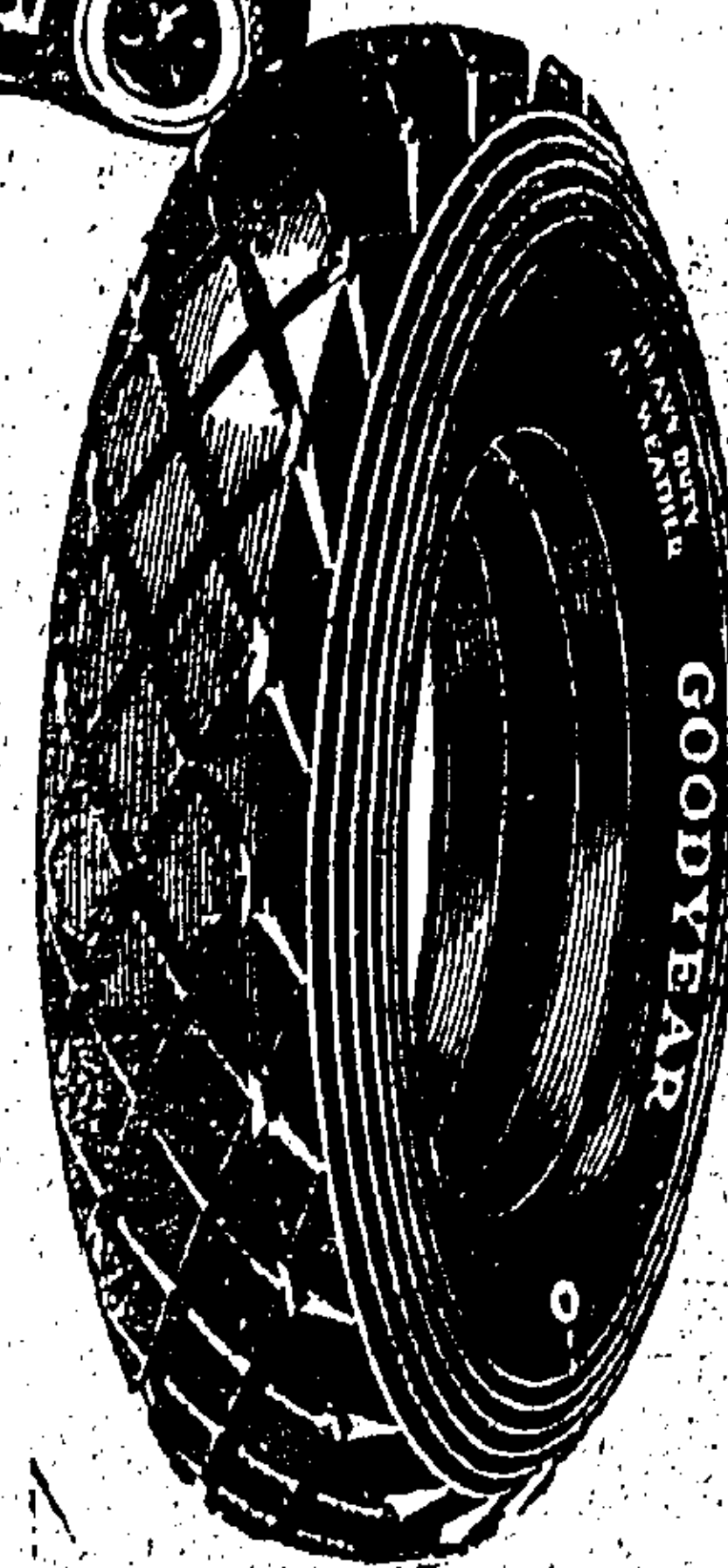
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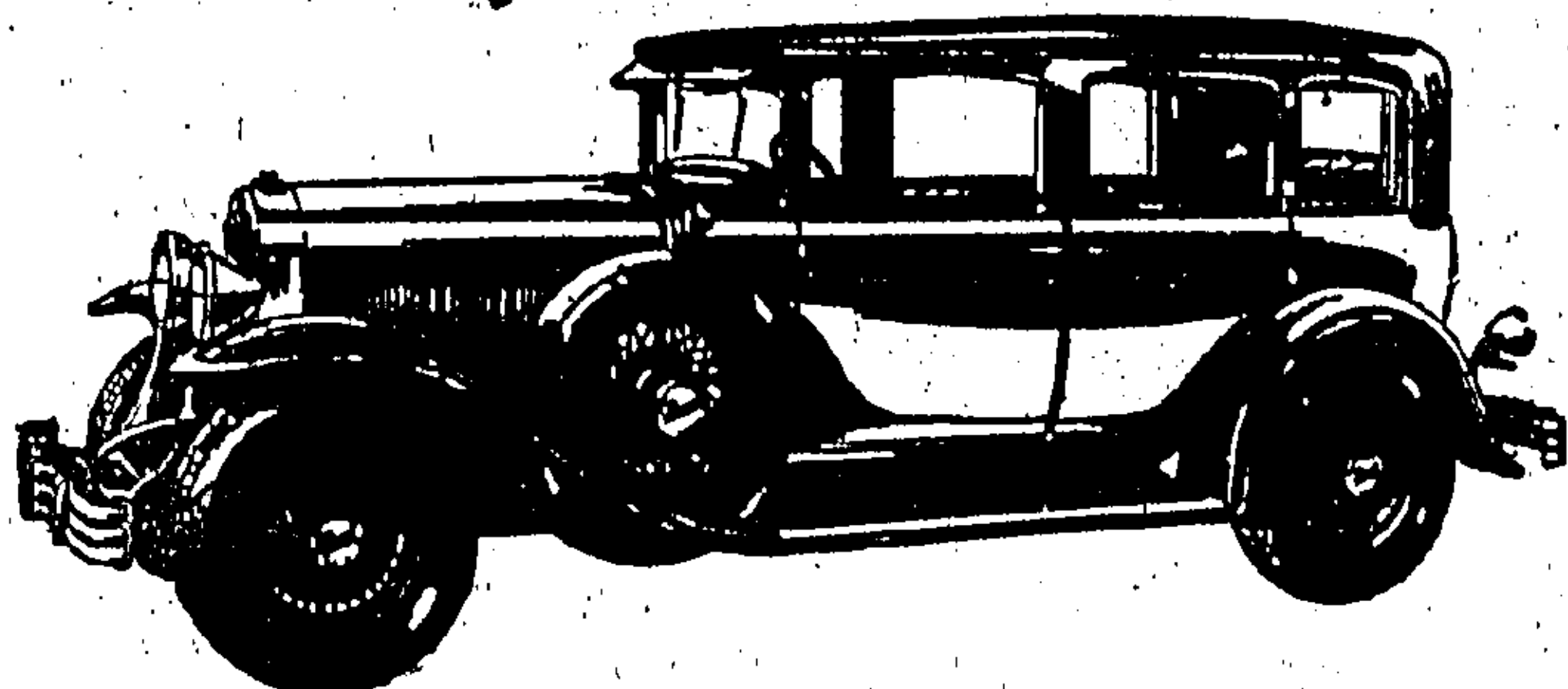
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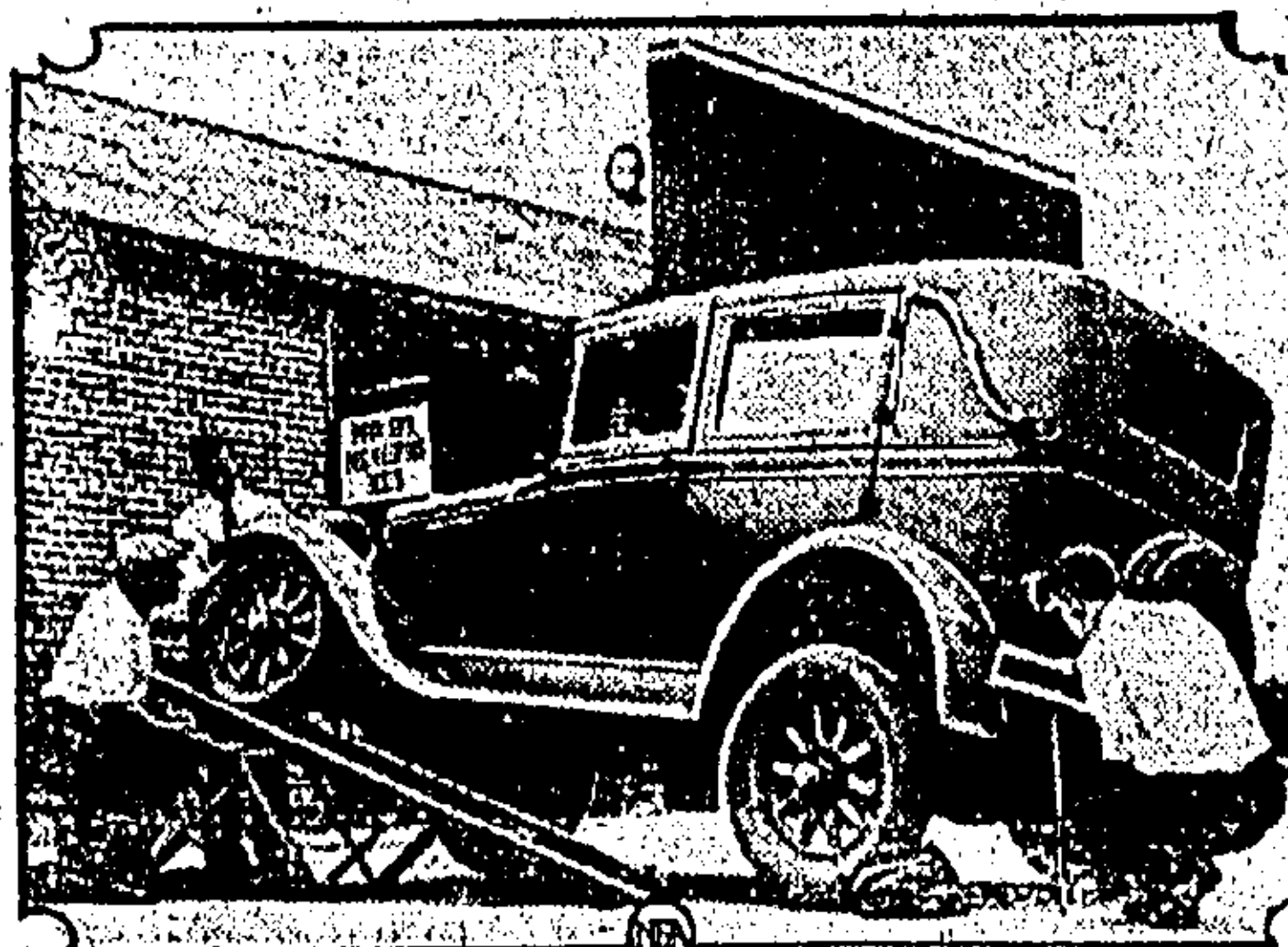
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Occasionally cases of dangerous road obstructions have been dealt with thereby preventing serious accidents to night road users.

During a recent week-end, an A.A. road patrol about to leave his beat in the Andover district after dark, received information that two large trees had fallen across the main Winchester-Basingstoke road. He immediately communicated with the London A.A. Headquarters by telephone, volunteering to remain on the road throughout the night to warn motorists, also to take all necessary steps for the prompt removal of the trees.

He also reported that cars were being driven over a golf course, as apparently there was no alternative route. The A.A. Night Staff immediately supplied alternative routes.

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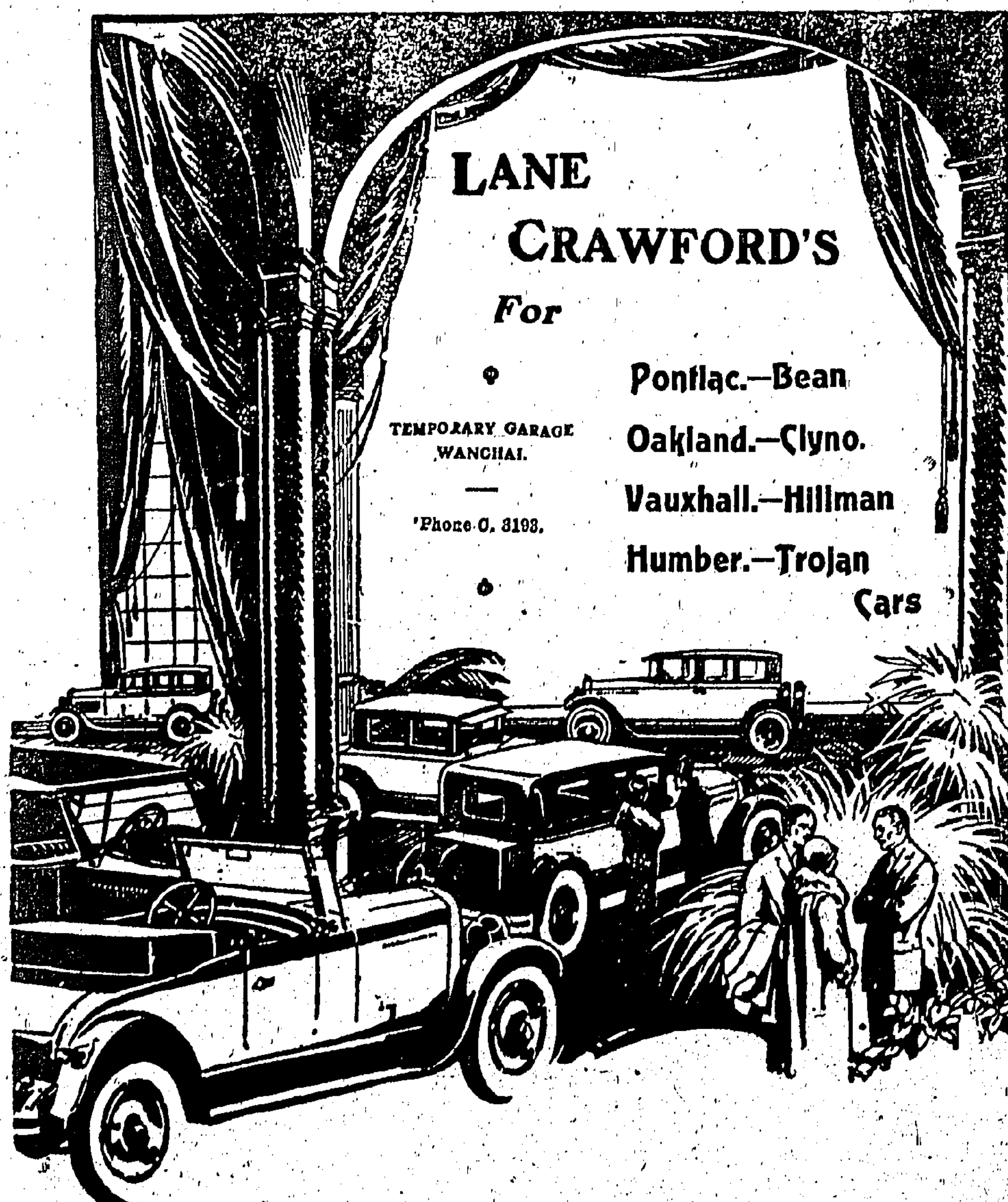
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More than 82 per cent. of the automobiles sold last year were closed models, an increase of 39 per cent. over 1924.



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## BRITISH MOTOR CYCLES.

A further proof of the much increased speed and reliability of the British motor-cycle may be found in the records recently established by E. Nott on a 500 cc. Rudge-Whitworth at Brooklands track.

Nott covered 200 miles in under two hours—to be exact, 1 hour 59 min. 43 sec.—and thereby broke the world's records for 200 miles and two hours in three classes, 500, 750 and 1,000 cc. By doing so he secured the Buckley Cup, offered for the first motor cyclist to do 200 miles in two hours. It is interesting to note that he beat the record for machines of double the size by several miles per hour.

It may be questioned if these performances are of any practical value to motor cyclists. The answer is that the experience gained is incorporated where possible in the production machines, and that these thus become faster and more reliable. Also, if in-

## UNUSUAL SERVICE.

Motoring in Sumatra.

An unusual transportation service which illustrates the rapid motorization taking place in every section of the world, is maintained in Sumatra, Dutch East Indies, by the Deli Railway Company.

The Company operates three Studebaker buses in daily service between two cities in the mountainous part of the island. From sea level the route climbs to an elevation of 5,000 feet in the comparatively short distance of 45 miles. In spite of the fact that the Medan-Brastagi road covered by the three Studebakers is one of the steepest and most dangerous in the world, the buses cover the distance in less than two hours.

The satisfactory service rendered by Studebaker equipment recently led to the purchase of a President Eight by the director of the railway company for his own use.

Intelligently driven—and the careless driver is always a danger to himself and the community—they are safer, since on a fast machine a high average can be maintained without speeding over dangerous sections.

## SAFETY IN SHINE.

Novel Claim for Colours.

In addition to the beauty resulting from the array of colours used on the new Studebaker and Braking models, these colours offer the motorist an added measure of driving safety, claim Studebaker executives in Australia. The new models were released recently.

"A prominent safety engineer recently pointed to brilliant body colours as a means of reducing motor accidents. Bright colours, because they can be seen at much greater distances and attract attention much more readily, are an important factor in driving safety.

"Chromium plating, which is found on all bright surfaces, supplements the colour factor of safety. The armored steel body adopted in 1925 as standard for the entire line, has demonstrated the wisdom of Studebaker engineers by withstanding crashes as only steel can. Studebaker was the first quantity producer of quality automobiles to introduce this type of body as standard."

## CHEVROLET CAPETOWN-CAIRO-STOCKHOLM EXPEDITION.



The Chevrolet Capetown-Cairo-Stockholm Expedition is proceeding through Europe after having successfully conquered the trackless wilderness of South Africa and the deserts of Egypt.

The last reports from the Expedition—accounted for its arrival at Bucharest and gave some details of the hazards encountered on its journey through the Sinai Desert. This is the first time in history that the Sinai Desert has been crossed by motor truck. This desert which is about 100 miles in length, from Kantara to El Arish, is one vast expanse of loose sand marked only by a few rough camel tracks.

Reports were received that there were bandits along the desert route and members of the expedition regretted they had left their rifles at Alexandria. However, they pushed on despite bandits and sand. Having obtained water from the Frontiers Administration at Kantara East, the Chevrolet followed the road for about twelve kilometres and then came the desert.

At last the salt pans at Romani were reached and with the aid of brushwood laid by the Bedouins, a stretch of loose sand was successfully negotiated until harder surface was reached. This hard stuff did not last long, however, and an attempt was then made to continue along the firmer sand on the seashore. High seas were running and the shifting sands made progress difficult. Every now and then the cars sank up to their axles, but after much digging and laying of wire netting, the expedition reached El Arish. The Sinai had been crossed by motor car and truck in four days.

Twenty miles from Beirut the expedition was met by forty General Motors cars headed by the consul general of the United States and his staff, followed by Governor of Beirut and escort, and representatives of the local newspapers. A public reception was held in the town square. Speeches were delivered before a crowd numbering more than 3,000. At night the police were compelled to clear the square as traffic had been completely blocked. The cars were exhibited all night, illuminated by electric lights.

## B. S. A. REDESIGNED.

Saddle Tanks and Lower Frames: Two-port o.h.v. Engines.

NEW MODEL WITH CRADLE FRAME AND SUMP OILING.

Though no existing models have been removed from the B.S.A. range, there are additions of some importance for 1929. The company has kept up with the times in every way and has specialized in the production of quiet motor cycles.

The 174 c.c. two-stroke, with its unit two-speed gear and pin-jointed frame, remains unaltered. An interesting development of this model has an engine of the same size but a three-speed gear built as a unit with the crank case. The gear is arranged in the same lines as the two-speed, but a third train has been added. The flywheel is covered, and an air-clemer is attached to the carburettor. The power unit is carried in a modified form of pin-jointed frame, having a more orthodox appearance than the two-speed model. A gate gear quadrant is carried at the side of the saddle tank.

Only minor modifications have been made to the popular 249 c.c. machine, but its appearance has been greatly improved by a new frame which provides a lower riding position, and a neat saddle tank of orthodox design. A fish-tail has been added to the silencer, and quick adjustment by the wing nut provided for the rear brake.

A similar frame alteration has been made in the 349 c.c. side-valve model, and the steering head has been lengthened to give a longer bearing. Roller bearings have been fitted to the front hub, similar to those already standard in the rear hub and a new silencer has been adopted. As this is common to all the larger machines it is worth a short description. The exhaust pipe leads into a large steel expansion chamber, and terminates in an internal fish-tail. The outlet pipe from the expansion chamber is blanked and drilled at its inner extremity, and the gases finally emerge into the air through a wide fish-tail liberally drilled with small holes on one side.

In addition to having a frame and saddle tank similar to those of the side-valve model, the standard over-head-valve 349 c.c. is equipped with the 1928 type of engine, with valves set at 90 to each other, and inclined push rods, but without push rod return springs of direct oil feed to the big-end bearing.

A most attractive new 349 c.c. model is a two-port model following the general line of the well-known 493 c.c. over-head valve both in engine and frame construction. Though the frame looks identical with that of the larger model, it is actually both shorter and lighter, and the front brake has a diameter of 5½ in. over the drum. The engine has dry sump lubrication, a gear-driven magneto behind the cylinder, steel flywheels, and an unusually rigid crank-shaft assembly. Pivoted at the base, the gear box is suspended on rearward extensions of the engine cradle, and tensioning of the primary chain is carried out by a draw bolt adjustment. The equipment includes a spring-up rear stand, tool box on the chain stays, and a plated saddle tank with dark green top panel.

There is an attractive new model following the lines of the existing 493 c.c. over-head in all details except for the side-valve cylinder. An aluminium cover encloses the valve mechanism, though air can be circulated all round the cylinder through the depth of the fins, and local overheating is thus avoided. Not only is the appearance of this machine most pleasing, but it has been found that a perceptible improvement in cylinder head cooling is effected by the use of the inclined cylinder.

The single port 493 c.c. o.h.v. model varies little from the existing and already well-known type, but it has been fitted with a spring stand, 26 x 3.25 in. wired-on tyres, 7 in. brakes and taper roller wheel bearings are standardised.

For 1929, a two-port 493 c.c. o.h.v. model is listed, with plated tank and dark green top panel and, of course, two of the standard silencers. Normally a low-compression piston is supplied, but high compression pistons are available.

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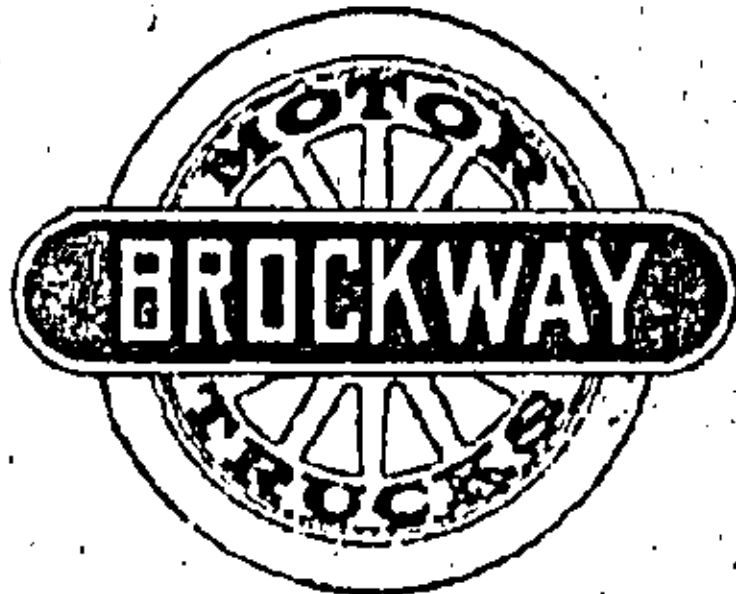
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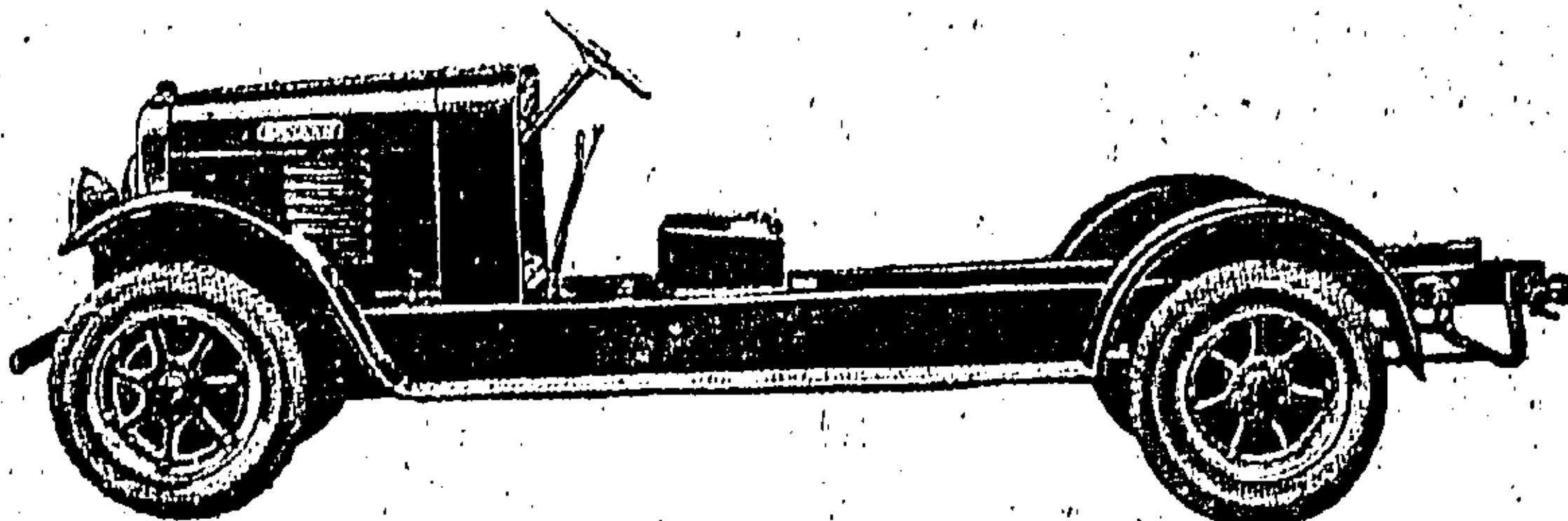
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## DIPLOMATS MEET IN CANTON.

BANQUET ATTENDED BY MANY NOTABLES.

## HAPPY GATHERING.

Canton, Jan. 25.

An important diplomatic banquet was given at Government House, Canton, last evening. At first it was intended to hold the banquet on New Year's Day, but owing to certain unforeseen circumstances it was postponed.

Amongst those representing the Government were H. E. General Chan Ming-shu, Civil Governor of Kwangtung and Mrs. Chan; Mr. Chu Chao-hsin, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, and Mrs. Chu; Mr. Lam Wen-ko, Mayor of Canton; Admiral Chan Chak, Commander-in-Chief of the Kwangtung Provincial Navy; Mr. Morris A. Cohen; Madame Li Chai-sum and many others.

The guests included a large number of notables representing many nations. Amongst those present were Monsieur Avenol, Assistant-Secretary-General of the League of Nations; H. E. Henrik de Kauffmann, Danish Minister to China; Monsieur le Contre-Amiral Stoltz, Commandant les Forces Navales en Extrême-Orient; Mr. J. F. Brennan, C.M.G., H. B. M. Consul-General in Canton, and Mrs. Brennan; Mr. Douglas Jenkins, Consul-General for the United States of America, and Mrs. Jenkins; Monsieur Danjou, Consul for France; Dr. Crull, Consul-General for Germany, and Mrs. Crull; Mr. Yano, Consul-General for Japan, and Mrs. Yano; Senhor Costa, Consul-General for Portugal, and Madame Costa; Mr. U. Spallinger, Consul for Switzerland, and Mrs. Spallinger; Mr. H. F. Campbell, Consul for Sweden; Mr. Kay Neckelman, Consul for Denmark; Mr. G. Wendenberg, Consul for the Netherlands; Mr. A. L. Tuson, H. B. M. Vice-Consul and Mrs. Tuson; Mr. A. J. Evans; Mr. J. C. H. Bonbright; Monsieur de Francqueville, Vice-Consul for France; Dr. J. W. H. Ferguson, Commissioner of Customs, and Mrs. Ferguson; Monsieur L. Henry, Commissioner of the Chinese Posts, and Madame Henry; Major Olivecrona, Engineer-in-Chief to the Board of Conservancy of Kwangtung, and Mrs. Olivecrona; Mr. R. N. Bjuke; Mr. R. F. Walcott, Commissioner of the Salt Gabelle, and Mrs. Walcott; Captain G. A. Clements, Captain-Superintendent of the Shamen Police Force and Mrs. Clements; Commander M. L. Clarke R.N., D.S.C., Senior Naval Officer, H. M. West River Patrol; Commandant Potel, Commandant la Flotille du Si-kang, de la Canonnière Française Argus; Commandant Grange, Canonnière Française Vigilante; and many others.

A military band was in attendance during the banquet, which was entirely Chinese, and played many pleasing selections.

Toasts were drunk to "The Chairman of the National Government of the Republic of China" and to "Their Majesties and Presidents of all Countries Represented at this Banquet."

H. E. General Chan Ming-shu proposed "The Guests" and responses were made by Monsieur Avenol, General H. E. Henrik de Kauffmann, and Le Contre-Amiral Stoltz.

Mr. Douglas Jenkins, Consul General for the United States of America and Doyen of the Consular Body in Canton, proposed "The Provincial Government of Kwangtung" to which Mr. Chu Chao-hsin, Member of the Provincial Government and Commissioner of Foreign Affairs of Kwangtung, replied.

This morning H. E. General Chan Ming-shu, accompanied by Mr. Chu Chao-hsin and Admiral Chan Chak, returned calls on Rear-Admiral Stoltz aboard the French gunboat Argus, and on Monsieur Avenol and H. E. Henrik de Kauffmann.—Our Own Correspondent.

## HISTORIC KENTISH DISCOVERIES.

MANY SKELETONS, 1,400 YEARS OLD.

Deal, Dec. 10.

An ancient Jutish cemetery has been discovered in an old disused chalk pit in the parish of Finglesham, near Deal.

About a score of skeletons, and many interesting articles have been unearthed, among them swords, knives, shields, pottery, brooches, beads, charms, tokens and other ornaments.

All the skeletons—some had armour lying beside them—were found at a depth of three feet. Mr. W. P. D. Stebbings, one of the officials in charge of the Richborough excavations, says that the remains at Finglesham are skeletons of both men and women.

This district at one time was a permanent settlement of the Jutes, who came from the mouth of the Elbe between 450 and 550 A.D. Their colony stretched from this part of the Kent coast to the Isle of Wight.

He has no doubt that as the excavations proceed many interesting discoveries will be made.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE PRAYER BOOK.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—I will not answer "Diogenes" last letter for we are like two cats on one roof!

The Bishops of the Church of England in India and Ceylon are, with one exception, of one mind in deprecating the use of any part of the Rejected Book at the present time. The Metropolitan has asked the Bishop's in his Province to abstain from sanctioning the use of any of the new services in the book. There is no Metropolitan in Hongkong and China, and as far as I know the Bishops in China have not taken action in either sanctioning or deprecating the use of the Rejected Book in whole or in part. The clergy have taken onus to confine their forms of prayer in Public Worship to those contained in the good old book, but one hears many extracts from other prayer books even in the C. of E. Cathedral in Hongkong; this cannot be objected to by reasonable people because the Bishop has doubtless sanctioned the changes.

Some of your readers would be glad to know what action, if any, has been taken by the local authorities of the Church of England in regard to the Rejected Book. The local authorities may reply, "we have not been asked to take action," or "our action is not a suitable matter for publication in a secular journal."

In either case we should regret such an attitude and one fears that the local Church needs to be goaded into action, and "Diogenes" has done his best, whatever his motive may be.—Yours, etc.

SENEX.

## WILLIAM HEUGHAN.

Sir,—I am sorry that your correspondent "C.B." should have thought my criticism of Heughan rather severe. On re-reading the paragraphs in question, the criticism appears to me to be very mild indeed.

The first remark to which "C.B." taken exception is: "Heughan was more at home in his Scottish songs than in his rendering of opera." This is really a most innocent comment. Supposing I had written: "Heughan was more at home in his rendering of opera than in his Scottish songs," would I still have been accused of severe criticism? Surely a critic is entitled to say that one type of song suits a singer better than another, without exception being taken to his remark?

"C.B." admits that it is "possible" that the Scottish songs suited him better, and thereby justifies my comment.

The next remark is the only adverse criticism I made of his singing in the course of my article. I considered his dramatic intonation and gesture in simple folk songs on a concert platform "rather overdone." "C.B." asks why I wrote this, and the only answer is that it is my personal opinion. It happened also to be the view expressed by most of my friends, and I asked them not because I "was not sure of" my opinion, but simply as a matter of interest.

I am very glad that my French friend was interested and moved by Heughan's recitals, and he has a right to express his own opinion as to his merits. But if he examines my article again, I think he will have to admit that my criticism of Heughan's singing was not severe.

Where I expressed myself forcibly was on the subject of the upright piano, but "C.B." has not disputed the justification for that comment.

In conclusion, your correspondent takes me to task for not referring in the last jottings to the local composers' concert. After eulogising one of the composers, he asks if I was "the only one who did not realise the importance of the music played at the concert, about which he deemed it best to remain quiet."

He has quite misunderstood the cause of my silence. I had my reasons for not writing a critique of that particular concert—reasons which I can explain to "C.B." if he wishes to know them. But to remove any wrong impression, let me say at once that I think everyone who had wondered what the standard would be had every reason to be pleased with the works performed. I heard eulogistic comments on all sides at the conclusion of the concert, and my own impression was very favourable.—Yours, etc., ALLEGRO.

## LATEST TELEVISION BROADCASTS.

BAIRD SYSTEM ADOPTED BY B.B.C.

London, Jan. 9.

The British Broadcasting Corporation's decision to carry out, in February, experiments with the Baird system of television is regarded as marking an important advance.

It is probable that sound and vision will be transmitted from different stations, and synchronized.

Experimental television broadcasts have been arranged by seven Continental stations.

## THE MACAO RACE MEETING.

GOOD SPORT PROMISED FOR TO-MORROW.

[By "Ringtail"]

Racegoers will be well provided for at the 13th Extra Race Meeting at Macao to-morrow afternoon. Good entries have been received, and the programme consists of six events. The first race will be started at 1.45 p.m. with an interval of a half an hour between races.

The Steamboat Company has provided two steamers which will leave Hongkong at 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. respectively, returning from Macao at 4 p.m. and 5.30 p.m.

Two new garages recently opened have been engaged to provide new cars which will convey passengers to the racecourse at a reasonable fee.

Good accounts have been received from the different owners who have ponies competing at the meeting, and all are confident that the meeting should be one of the most successful ever held at Macao, by reason of the fact that ponies are above the average.

Parimutuel and cash sweepstake will be in operation as usual, with a special cash sweepstake on the third race, which will be contested for by the big crack pony Ma Kau Siac, who, with a little luck, should be returned the winner. My selections are:

## 1st Race.

- 1 Doubtful
- 2 Desert Storm
- 3 Tartar.

## 2nd Race.

- 1 As You Like It
- 2 The Haugh
- 3 Nara Stag.

## 3rd Race.

- 1 Mowgli
- 2 Ma Kau Siac
- 3 Bright Prospect.

## 4th Race.

- 1 Blue World
- 2 Veloz
- 3 Sunning.

## 5th Race.

- 1 My Lady
- 2 Zircon II
- 3 Desert Wind.

## 6th Race.

- 1 Desert Wind
- 2 Tartar
- 3 Desert Storm.

## OPIUM DESTRUCTION.

Nanking, Jan. 25.

The Nanking Opium Suppression Commission has ordered General Hsiung Shih-huei, Commander of the Shanghai Garrison, to publicly destroy the consignment of opium seized on board the s.s. Kiangnan.

## INDO-CHINA TREATY.

Nanking, Jan. 25.

Dr. C. T. Wang and Mr. Martel to-day met in conference regarding the new Trade Treaty which is to replace the existing Conventions affecting Indo-China.—Reuter.

## ORIGIN OF THE LEAGUE

## ANGLO-AMERICAN WAR CONVERSATION.

Washington, Dec. 24.

The Department of State publishes to-day the second volume of documents dealing with foreign relations during the war. This contains the texts of memoranda exchanged between Washington and other capitals during 1915, and among the subjects dealt with are the sinking of the Lusitania, Colonel House's intervention between London and Berlin in an effort to find a *modus vivendi* for the restriction of German submarine warfare in return for the relaxation of the British blockade against foodstuffs, and the United States controversy with the British over interference with neutral treaty rights.

The exchanges between London and Washington show the seriousness of the questions arising in connexion with the British blockade and its effect on neutral trade, especially in connexion with Britain's disregard of the pledge given in 1914 not to include cotton in the contraband list.

The League of Nations appears to have been suggested for the first time during the war during an unofficial conference between Sir William Tyrrell and Mr. Vandyk, the United States Minister to Holland, during the latter's vacation in London in September, 1915. Mr. Vandyk attached great significance to the conversations, reporting to Washington that he thought a League of Nations should be formed to prevent the recurrence of such a war, to guarantee the respect of established neutrality, and the maintenance of the general principles embodied in The Hague Convention, and to punish future infractions and violations.

Sir William Tyrrell said that if the United States were favourable to such an idea, her good offices would be welcomed when peace terms could be considered.

The controversy regarding the British blockade forms the most voluminous portion of the book. It is largely a technical discussion without spectacular developments, but it will have a direct bearing upon any future effort to codify international law.

## HOTEL COMEDY.

## ADOLPHE MENJOU IN "SERVICE FOR LADIES."

Winter sports in the Swiss Alps afford the splendid background for an intensely human story of the romance of a head waiter and his love for a beautiful heiress in "Service For Ladies," starring Adolphe Menjou, and which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow and Monday.

Circumstances, somewhat man-overlaid by Menjou, are such that the object of his love doesn't know his real profession until the very end. Many amusing and cleverly directed scenes are enacted before the climax, which has a distinctly unusual twist, arrives. Beautiful scenes of toboggan sliding and winter sports in general are included in the picture to make it one of Menjou's finest pictures to date. The star passes brightly from one sequence to another and is again responsible for the many laughs which the picture contains. Kathryn Carver is the delightful heroine, and in her role is an excellent foil for Menjou's inimitable style of humour.

## The Very Idea!

The National City Bank, the largest financial institution in the United States, has just received a penny from an anonymous youthful friend in Newark, who is not satisfied with the bank's capital, surplus and undivided profits. They lack just a penny of what they should be to please him, being only \$165,479,525.99.

Ethics of good banking do not permit even a penny of unearned money to go into this account, the bank holds, and therefore, the gift will be kept as a souvenir, and the 99 cents will stand until the next statement is printed. Meanwhile, the penny will be put to work.

Scene—American customs. "Kindly open your bag, madame."

"But I've declared everything. 'Yes, madame, but nowadays make a point of asking the ladies to open their handbags."

"But that's ridiculous! This is only a tiny purse."

"Yes, madame, I am aware that it is only a tiny purse. Kindly open it."

"But never in all my life have I heard of a customs official—"

"Give me the purse immediately."

One moment later. Customs official to his chief—"What's the fine for concealing twelve evening frocks?"

Woman, aged eighty, giving evidence at North London—He is a wicked bad lad. This is his private character.

Constable at Tottenham—The prisoner struck at me. I dodged the blow, and he went through a plate-glass window.

Judge Thompson, K.C., at Bow County Court—A man is not necessarily telling an untruth because he looks as though he is.

Constable at Willesden—The prisoner had in his pocket a bottle of whisky only half-consumed. Prisoner—Then I was drunk all right.

Mr. Eblewhite, the Highgate Magistrate, after listening to a loquacious witness for ten minutes—I must short-circuit this case. Stop!

Man charged at Tottenham with drunkenness—I am only guilty of having three pints of ale. Magistrate—That's a plea of not guilty to a drunkenness charge.

A General Election is very much like a visit to the dentist; if anyone has to have a tooth out he likes to get it done as soon as he can.—Mr. Baldwin.

The bedrooms of England at night are the coldest places anywhere in the world—Sir Wilfrid Grenfell.

The very worst way to foster the spiritual life of any people is to tell them that they are going to the devil because they do not read their Bibles.—Mr. Nowell Smith.

In my experience as a magistrate no motorist ever travels at more than five miles an hour.—Lord Banbury.

If I were to attempt to paint or draw a nightmare, I would choose a petrol pump for my subject.—Lord Clinton.

It will soon be true to say that an Englishman's home is his garage.—Mr. Clough William-Ellis.

To-day's Dog Story.—A member of the House of Lords writes as follows:—"Living in the country, I had a faithful and affectionate Irish terrier, who rarely left me. My uncle and aunt lived about two miles away, and one day I received a message that my uncle was dying. I motored over to see if I could be of any help to my aunt my terrier accompanying me. Arriving at the gate I walked up to the house and learned that my uncle had just died.

"Not wishing to intrude at such a moment I walked back, and my dog, seeing me coming, bounded off the box and ran forwards me. When she got within about 10 yards of the window of the ground-floor room where the death had taken place she stopped short, emitted the most unearthly howl or yell I have ever heard, and turning tail ran down the road for about 30 yards.

"Nothing would induce her to return, and when I reached her she was trembling all over. For the rest of the day she would not leave me, but kept whining and shivering. Six months later I took her over there, but she refused to come any further than the turn up to the house. What had she seen? What did she know?"

Seeking a maid-servant, a Tyneside woman had received several replies to her advertisement. On interviewing one of the applicants she found that the girl spoke with a marked Scottish accent.

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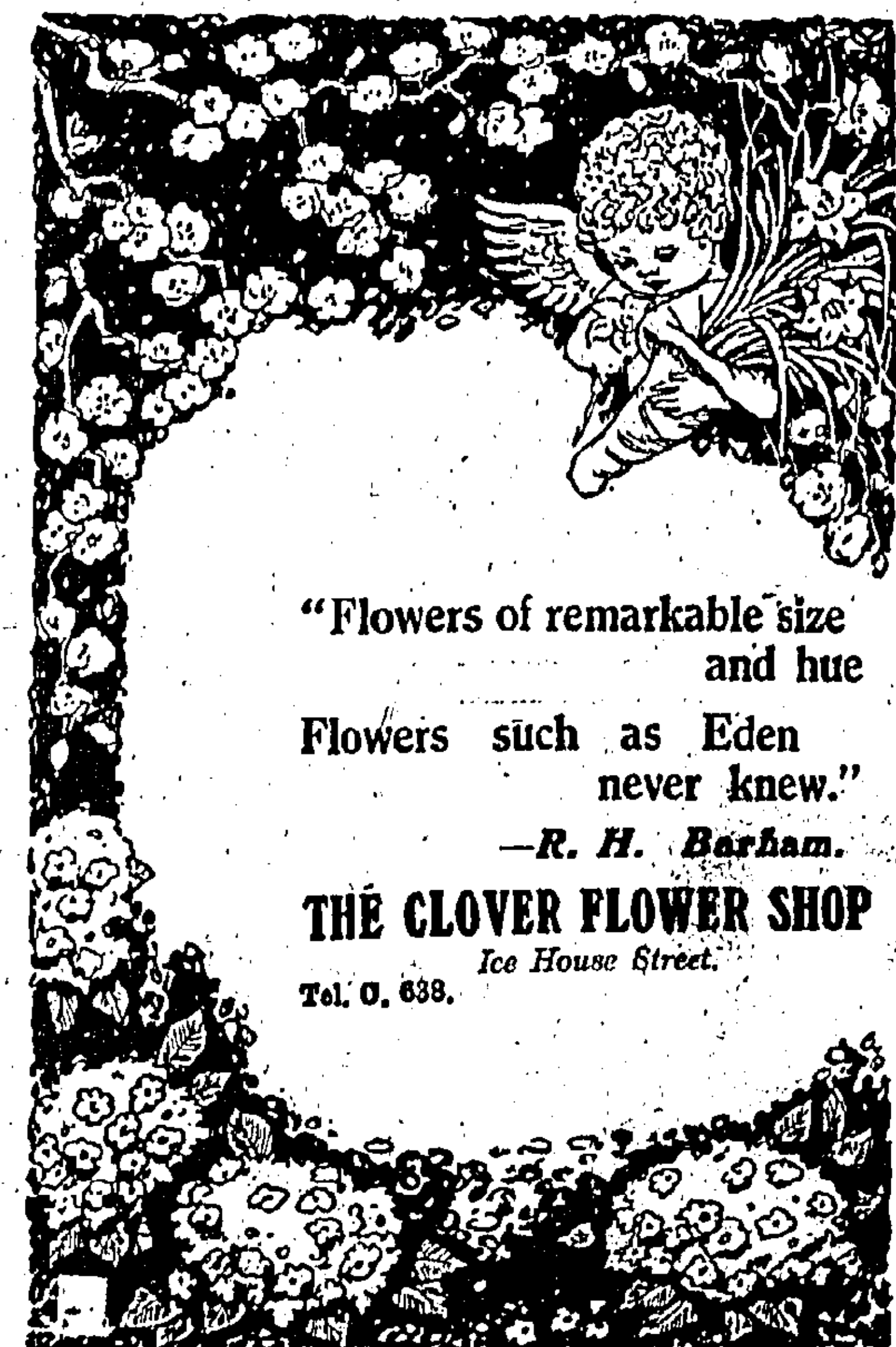
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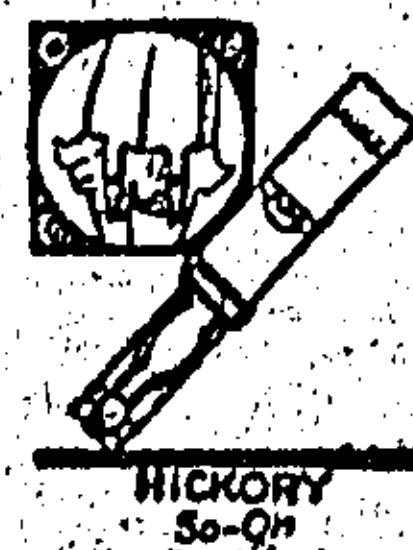
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## THE WORLD OF SPORT

### SCHOOL SPORTS.

#### INDIAN SCHOOL HOLD THEIR ANNUAL MEET.

The eighth Annual School Sports of the I.R.C. ground on Thursday, when some very interesting events were run off. Some close finishes were seen and the smaller boys showed as much keenness as the bigger ones.

There was a large gathering of friends and past pupils, and among those present were Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, Khan Sahib Nawab Khan, A.S.F., Mr. A. E. Sutherland, former headmaster and now Inspector of English Schools, and Mrs. Sutherland who gave away the prizes.

At the conclusion of the sports, Mr. Bishen Singh, the Headmaster of the school, welcomed Mrs. Sutherland and Mr. Wood, both of whom, he said, had always shown great interest in the school. He expressed his gratitude to the subscribers towards the prizes, and thanked the Committee of the I.R.C. for the loan of the ground.

After the prizes had been given away, Mr. Sutherland, on behalf of Mrs. Sutherland, thanked the Indian School for their invitation.

Master J. Kitchell then presented Mrs. Sutherland with a bouquet of flowers culled from the school garden, after which three cheers were given for Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. Wood, the masters and the school.

Ten was served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

#### The Results.

High Jump (Senior).—1, D. Ali; 2, O. el Arculli.

High Jump (Junior).—1, Hashim Ahmed; 2, A. R. Razack.

Three-legged Race (Senior).—1, A. K. Omar and Majid Rahman; 2, O. el Arculli and Amin Bachoo.

Three-legged Race (Junior).—1, Hashim Ahmed and A. R. Razack; 2, Ahmed Esmail and S. Ebrahim.

100 yards (Senior).—1, Dawood Ali; 2, O. el Arculli.

100 yards (Junior).—1, Hashim Ahmed; 2, Mohd. Syed.

Sack Race (Senior).—1, Amin Bachoo; 2, Majid Rahman.

Sack Race (Junior).—1, Hashim Ahmed; 2, A. R. Razack.

220 yards (Senior).—1, Dawood Ali; 2, Amin Bachoo.

220 yards (Junior).—1, Hashim Ahmed; 2, Mohd. Syed.

Throwing the cricket ball.—O. el Arculli.

Class 8 Race (Handicap).—1, Hussain Ali; 2, S. Hassan; 3, I. Mohd.

Class 7 Race (Handicap).—1, Amin Bachoo; 2, Majid Rahman.

1/2 Mile (Junior).—1, Hashim Ahmed; 2, A. R. Razack.

Class 7 Race (Handicap).—1, Mohd. Syed; 2, Jagjit Singh; 3, S. Ebrahim.

Arithmetical Race (Upper school).—1, S. Ebrahim; 2, Mohd. Hussain.

Arithmetical Race (Lower school).—1, S. Hassan; 2, S. M. A. Khan; 3, Mr. Channan Singh.

1 Mile (Open).—1, Hashim Ahmed; 2, Ebrahim Ali.

Special prizes.—S. M. Bux, Majid Rahman and A. H. Abbas.

Old Boys' Race (220 yds.).—1, M. Sahhan; 2, S. Hassan.

Consolation Race (220 yds.).—1, A. Abdou, 2, Omar Hassan.

Senior Champion.—Dawood Ali.

Junior Champion.—Hashim Ahmed.

### SHAMEEN FOOTBALL.

Quite a good game was witnessed on Thursday evening when H.M.S. Tarantula drew with H.M.S. Moth in the Shameen Football League. Both sides were very keen and indulged in a good deal of long kicking, falling somewhat to control the ball. There was no score.

This is only the second time H.M.S. Moth have played in the League this season, that vessel having been out of port for over eight weeks.

The teams were as follows:—H.M.S. Tarantula.—Partridge; Cane, Driscoll; Gilmore, Taylor (Captain), Turner, Smith, Abilt, Kedde, Murray and Holland.

H.M.S. Moth.—Wickenden; Windup, Dewey, Carter, Jordan, Gold; Bates, Flint, Beard, Hodgkinson and Love.

H.M.S. Tarantula drew with H.M.S. Cleala on Thursday afternoon in their match in the Shameen Football League. The game was very fast. At half-time the score stood at 2-2. Shortly after resuming the Tarantula again scored and right up to the last minute it seemed that they would secure both points, but within two minutes of the finish a beautifully-placed shot from the Cleala equalled up.

After protracted negotiations the employers in Antwerp diamond industry have agreed to grant all their workers one week's holiday, with pay, annually, and a general rise of 5 per cent. in basic wages.

A considerable portion of the maritime town of St. Anna's Bay, Jamaica, was destroyed by fire recently.

### INTERPORT RUGBY.

#### COMMENT ON SHANGHAI PROSPECTS.

The inclement weather during the past week-end, says the Shanghai Times of Monday, has prevented the Shanghai Rugby Football Club from trying out their best available, and possibly the best possible side, against the Scots Guards. The match was arranged to see how the newcomers to Interport honours worked in their respective positions and if satisfactory to concentrate on the selection to send to Hongkong. It really was most unfortunate that on both Saturday and Sunday conditions were quite against playing which therefore necessitates a serious trial match being arranged for not later than next Saturday.

"The Probable" team on the whole are a very strong side and since it is learned that Hubbard will be able to join the team in the centre three-quarter position then Shanghai's team on paper is as good a side as is possible to select except of course that the names of Watkinson, Stephenson and Landale are not listed. It is to be hoped, though, that the whole of the team selected as the Probable side will be able to get away but unofficial rumours regarding one or two forwards indicate that second choice men may be in the pack. This is naturally regrettable but the redeeming feature of this is that Shanghai have been so strong in forwards this season that even some of their "A" men are good enough to have been selected in the first instance.

Shanghai should give a very good account of themselves in Hongkong and can enjoy the journey there with utmost confidence but must not lose sight of the wonderful forward play of the Hongkong team on their last visit to Shanghai when they snatched, most unexpectedly, the Interport honours from Shanghai who fielded a very fast side particularly in the three-quarter line. Shanghai failed on that occasion solely for the reason that they did not suit their play to the extremely heavy going and weather conditions of the day. This is not likely to occur this time as during this season Shanghai has experienced all sorts and conditions of weather and also have developed a fine pack who are capable of winning the match themselves in view of their fast concerted rushes and the speed with which they are on the ball in breakaways. They are also strong enough to hold the heaviest opposition Hongkong can field.

In the threequarter line Shanghai are capable of executing fast attacks from either wing particularly of course through the medium of McGill whilst with Dunkley and Hubbard in the centres the most unexpected "break-throughs" are likely to happen without the slightest warning.

It is in the halves that Shanghai might not be any too strong as rumours are to hand that Shanghai's strongest pair may not be able to get away which necessitates a rearrangement of the outsidies, however, time will tell and it is to be hoped that both Niel and Newcombe will be sailing with the team.

C. S. Hayley was down to play at full back so that if he is finally selected and able to get away then Shanghai can look forward with utmost confidence to this player playing a sound game. He has shown himself so far in recent matches to be a fearless tackler and strong kick which qualifications constitute about 75 per cent. of a first-class player for the last line of defence.

### LAWN TENNIS.

#### AN INTERESTING MATCH TO-MORROW.

An interesting friendly lawn tennis match will be played to-morrow between teams representing the Chinese Recreation Club and the United Services Recreation Club. The match will have added interest in that the Chinese players and probably some of the United Services players are entered for the open Championship of the Colony.

The Chinese team will be—M. W. Lo and M. K. Lo, Ng Sze-kwong and Ho Ka-lau, Horace Lo and Lu Tak-chouk.

Police-Constable Malcolm McLeod, of Dover Police Force, has won the highest certificate awarded by the Royal Life Saving Society.

### LOCAL HOCKEY.

#### NAVY BEAT THE ARMY YESTERDAY.

Another stage in the Sim Shield hockey competition was reached yesterday, when the Navy and Army met at the U.S.R.C. for the second time, the Navy winning by two goals to one. Each of the competing teams plays the other twice. Previously the Army won by three goals to nil, so the sides now have a win apiece.

Yesterday's match was played at a fast rate. Collett drew first blood for the Navy in the first half, the interval arriving with the sailors in the lead. On the resumption two more goals were scored, another for the Navy by Collett and one for the Army by Colour Sergeant Handscombe.

#### Club Beats Y.M.C.A.

On the Club ground, at King's Park, a Club team played a friendly match with the Y.M.C.A. The Club held the upper hand, and the greater part of the play took place in the Y.M.C.A. half.

West netted twice for the Club in the first half, these being the only goals scored.

#### K.I.T.C. to Meet Varsity "A."

A K.I.T.C. versus University hockey match will be played to-morrow (Sunday) on the University ground, belly off at 4.30 p.m. sharp. The following will represent the K.I.T.C.:—

Autor Singh, Ahmed Khan, Amir Khan, Firdos Khan, M. A. Khan, G. A. Khan, Waris Khan, Mohd. Khan (Capt.), Nur Khan, Khushi Mohamed, Naranjan Singh. Reserves.—Johan Dand and Gurbachan Singh.

#### Club Sim Shield Team.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club in the Sim Shield match against the Army at the U.S.R.C. ground on Wednesday, at 4.45 p.m. sharp. The following will represent the Club:—

Henry, L. A. R. Duncan and H. V. Parker. The above team will also meet the Tilania on the R.N.O.S.C. ground on Monday, at 6 o'clock. The Club second team to play the Y.M.C.A. at King's Park on Monday, at 5 p.m. will be R. W. Sapsed, J. E. Henry, R. R. Todd, A. A. R. Botoho, L. A. R. Duncan (captain), G. Rankin, J. A. H. Plummer, R. D. Beaumont, H. V. Parker, W. A. Nowers and E. C. Fincher.

### POLICE SPORTS.

#### HONGKONG FORCE COMPETES WITH KOWLOON.

On the football ground adjoining the United Services Recreation Club, Kowloon, yesterday evening, police teams from Hongkong met similar teams from Kowloon in two tug-of-war events, these being in connexion with a series of competitions which have been arranged between the Police Force on either side of the harbour.

There were many police officers also present as spectators, including the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe and Mrs. Wolfe.

The pulls were both won by the Kowloon police.

In the competitions so far held, Hongkong has won lawn bowls and revolver shooting, while Kowloon has been victorious in billiards and the tug-of-war. There are two points awarded for each event, so that Hongkong and Kowloon are now level with four points each.

The following competitions have yet to be decided.—Rifle shooting, football, golf, tennis, boxing and a relay race.

A silver challenge cup will be presented to the side which scores the most points.

#### SIX MILES A MINUTE SEAPLANES.

#### SECRET MACHINES FOR SCHNEIDER RACE.

It has been decided to equip the Supermarine-Napier and Gloster-Napier seaplanes which are to be built to represent Great Britain in next year's Schneider Trophy race with supercharged engines. This should give an increase of nearly 25 per cent. in speed.

France, the United States, and Italy are all making secret craft to challenge British supremacy, and it is believed by experts that six miles a minute will be attained during the contest, which is to be flown over the Solent. The engine of the American planes will develop 2,000 h.p.

#### Attempt on World Record.

No definite date has yet been fixed for the race. It is likely, however, to be staged towards the end of next September.

At Venice Flight-Lieut. Webster won the trophy with an average speed of 23 1/2 miles an hour. Next year the average speed is certain to be at least 320 miles per hour.

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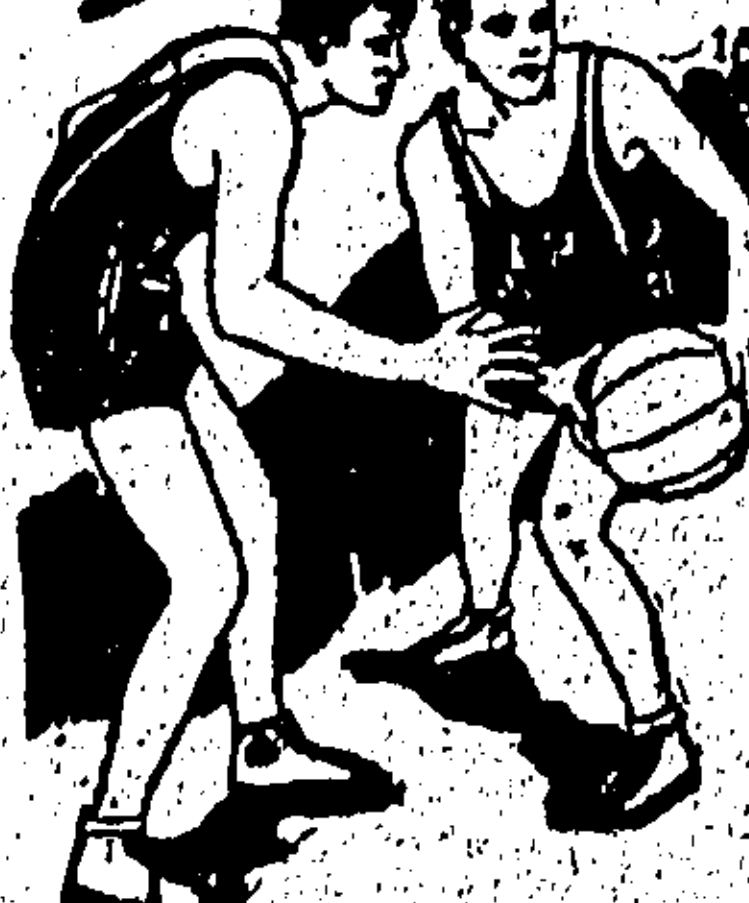
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### BOMBING TRAGEDY.

#### TWO R.A.F. AIRMEN ARRESTED.

Bombay, Jan. 25.  
A message from Peshawar says two airmen have been arrested in connexion with the bomb tragedy. One of the wounded men has succumbed, and two others have had their legs amputated and are not expected to survive.—Reuter.

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## RADCLIFFE HALL'S NOVEL

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Later, he remarked, "Some may think this book is corrupt because of the way it brings the name of God into the discussion of these passions."

Another comment he made with much emphasis was: "This is more subtle, demoralising, corrosive than anything that was ever written. . . . I hardly need ask what is the picture conjured up to minds that are open to immoral influence?"

"I think I can best leave this book to speak for itself," said the Attorney-General very deliberately. "Unfortunately all of us in the course of life acquire knowledge of human nature and of life which is sufficient to enable any of us to form an opinion as to obscenity. Obscenity must be judged by the standard of the laws of this realm. The fact that someone who wrote a book did not intend it to be obscene does not matter. I know nothing about the intention of the writer of this book; I do not know anything about the writer, and I suggest that the Court does not need to. The character of the book is what is in question."

"The book seeks to glorify a vice or to produce a plea of toleration for the people who practice it," he said. "I do not know if it masquerades under the description of a medical or scientific book, but it is not in fact. It is propaganda."

### APPELLANT'S CASE.

"It is a True Work of Literature," Mr. Melville, for the appellants, said that he would relieve the Court of any suspicion as to whether it was going to be suggested that the book was either a medical or scientific work. It was exactly what it purported to be, a novel, and it was the submission of the appellants that it was a true work of literature, and not a pornographic production.

After communicating with the Home Secretary in August, he said, Mr. Cape acted just about as hastily as the Home Secretary appeared to have done—hastily because afterwards he had to consider that he was not the only person concerned. He later reconsidered the attitude he had taken in the light of the care he had to take of the interests of other persons. On August 20 he wrote to the Home Office, and on the following day came an expression of opinion from the Home Secretary.

"I think I am right," said Mr. Melville, "that apparently no lengthy or careful consideration had been given to the matter."

The Attorney-General—My friend must not assume that when the letter was sent that was the only opportunity for looking at the book.

Sir Robert Wallace—What does it matter? It always comes back to the question, "Is the book obscene?"

Mr. Melville recalled the fact that a most distinguished body of witnesses who were prepared to give their views from the point of view of literature, medicine and so on as to the value and decency of the book were excluded by the magistrate from giving evidence. He could not say whether from a legal point of view that was a wrongful exclusion, but he proposed to make no lengthy submission, as the Court would be bound to say that evidence in this appeal was inadmissible.

There was no mystery or masquerading about "The Well of Loneliness," he said. It faced the fact that there existed a class of women who were more attracted to their own sex than to the opposite sex. That was a phase of life which existed, and the book acknowledged the facts and considered the problems, reactions and situations which must arise in consequence of it. The subject was dealt with, he submitted, in a manner which could call for no complaint at all on the ground of indecency.

### No Witnesses.

Mr. Melville said that the writer had dealt with the topic with more than ordinary restraint.

"There is no question of censorship here," he said. "I submit that if the Bench will bear with me in examining the book it will be seen that it satisfies what has been well said is the distinction between real literature and pornographic work."

When Mr. Melville intimated that he did not propose to call witnesses, the Attorney-General spoke to Mr. Rudyard Kipling, who then left the Court. Sir William Wilcock, the Home Office expert, also left.

Mr. Melville, continuing, said that there was nothing in the book which held up the normal life of the married characters to anything but the highest admiration. The book showed the tragedy of the life of Stephen, and with the motive which animated her finally and decisively he submitted that it could not be held that the book was depraved. It gravely and resolutely treated a human problem. It asked not for approbation of an unnatural practice, but for under-

standing of the invert, and Christian charity for those whose misfortune it was to be differently constituted from their fellows.

The Attorney-General, replying, said that certain passages quoted by Mr. Melville might be above criticism if they stood alone.

The whole book as to 99 per cent. of it might be beyond criticism, yet one passage might make it a work which would have to be destroyed as obscene.

### Court's Decision.

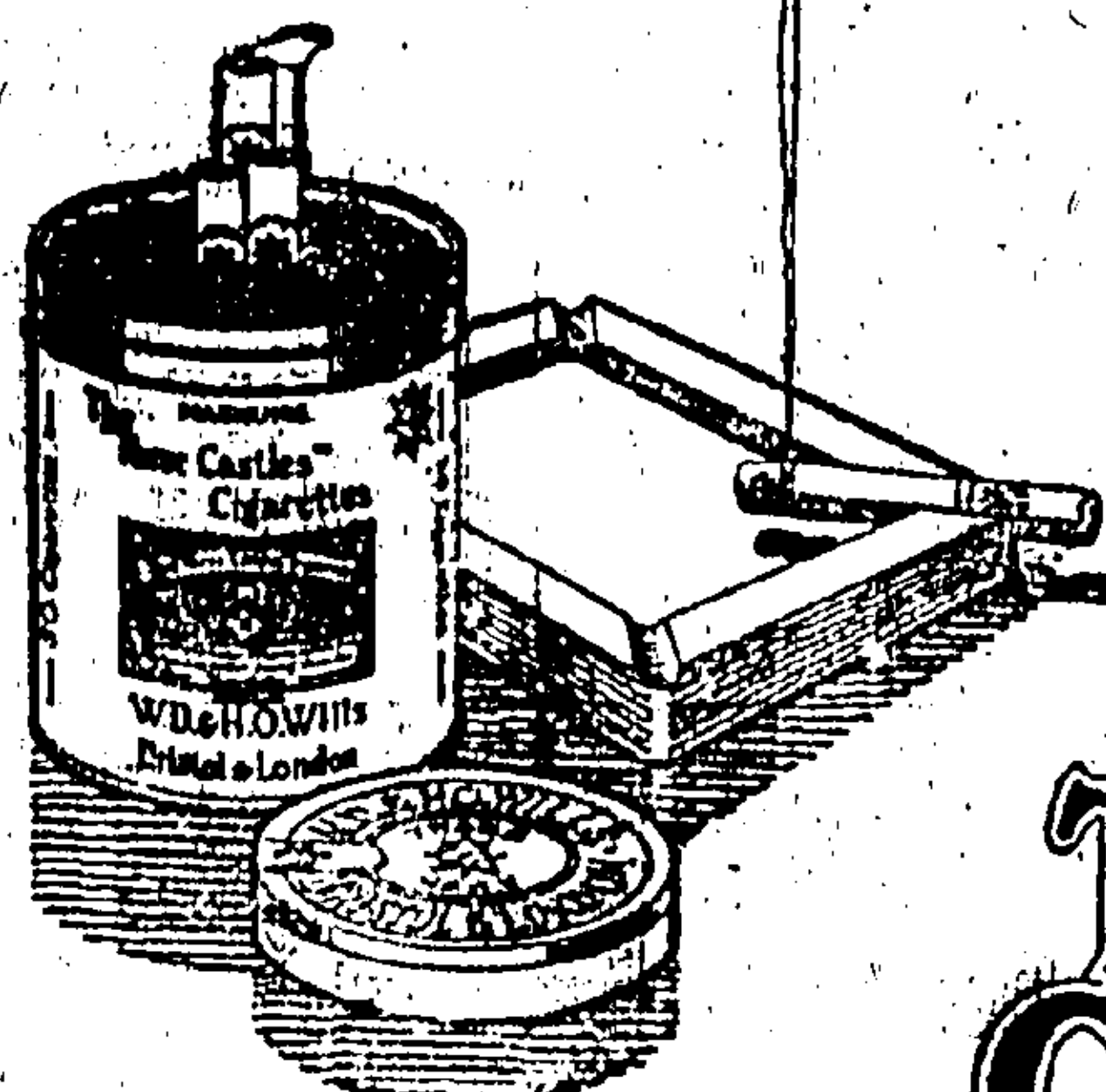
Sir Robert Wallace, announcing the decision of the Court, said: "The book is admittedly neither a scientific nor a medical book. It is a novel addressed to the general public which reads, novels. The view to which I am giving expression is the unanimous view of the Court. The definition which has been accepted for sixty years as to what is the test in regard to these books is whether the tendency of the matter is to deprave and corrupt those whose lives are open to such immoral influences and into whose hands a publication of this sort may fall."

"There are plenty of people who would be neither depraved nor corrupted by reading a book like this," he said. "But it is to those whose minds are open to such immoral influences that I refer. The character of the book cannot be gathered from the reading of isolated passages. They give an indication as to the general tendency, but the book must be taken as a whole."

"The view of the Court is that this book is a very subtle book. It is one which is insinuating and probably much more dangerous because of that fact. It is a most dangerous and corrupting book. It is a book the general tendency of which would be to corrupt the minds of the general body of those who may read it. It is a book which, if it does not commend unnatural practices, certainly condones them, and suggests that those guilty of them should not receive the consequences they deserve to suffer."

"Put in a word," he added, "the view of this Court is that this is a disgusting book when properly read. It is an obscene book, and a book prejudicial to the morals of the community. In our view the order made by the magistrate is perfectly correct, and the appeal must be dismissed with costs."

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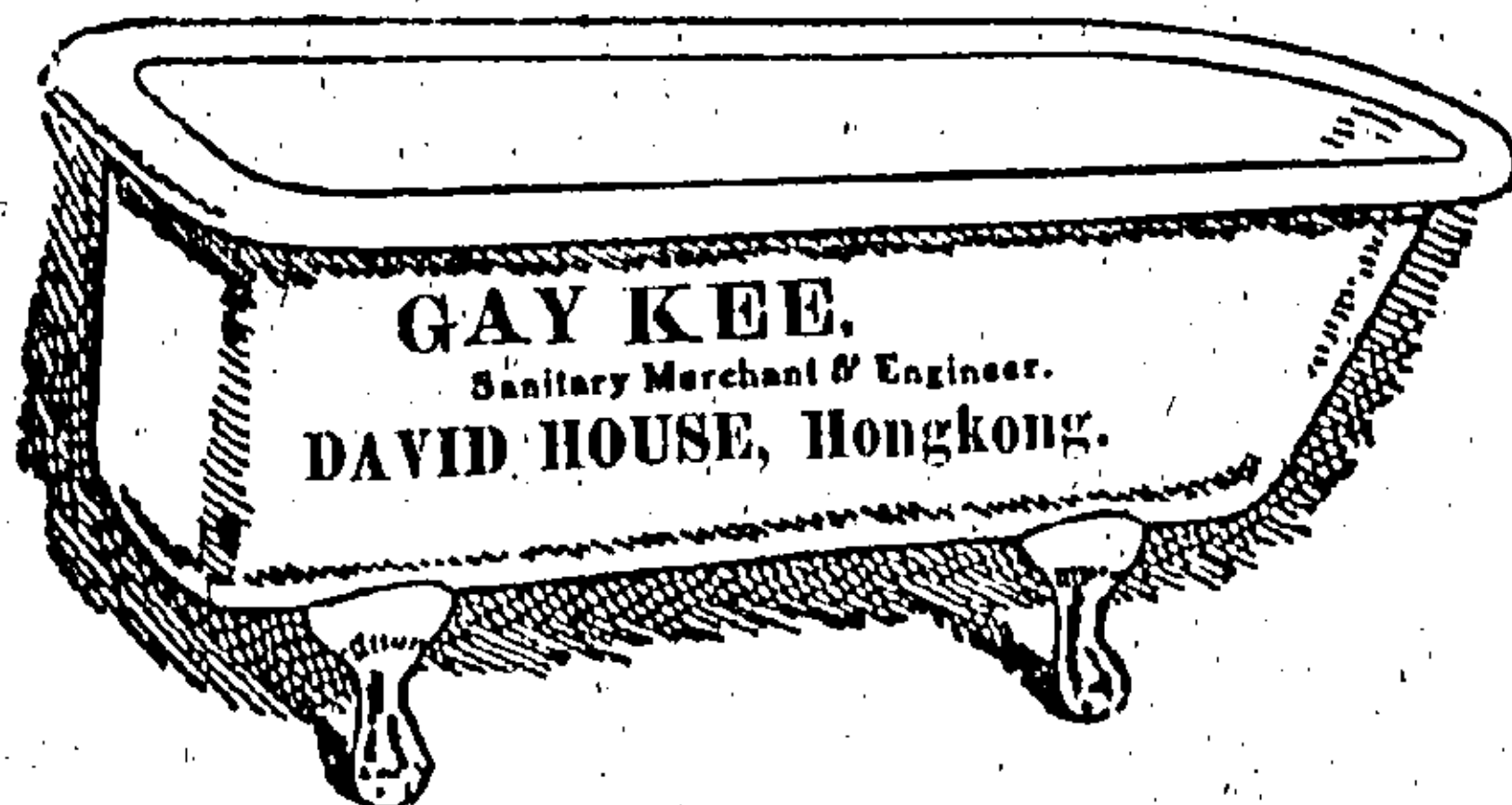
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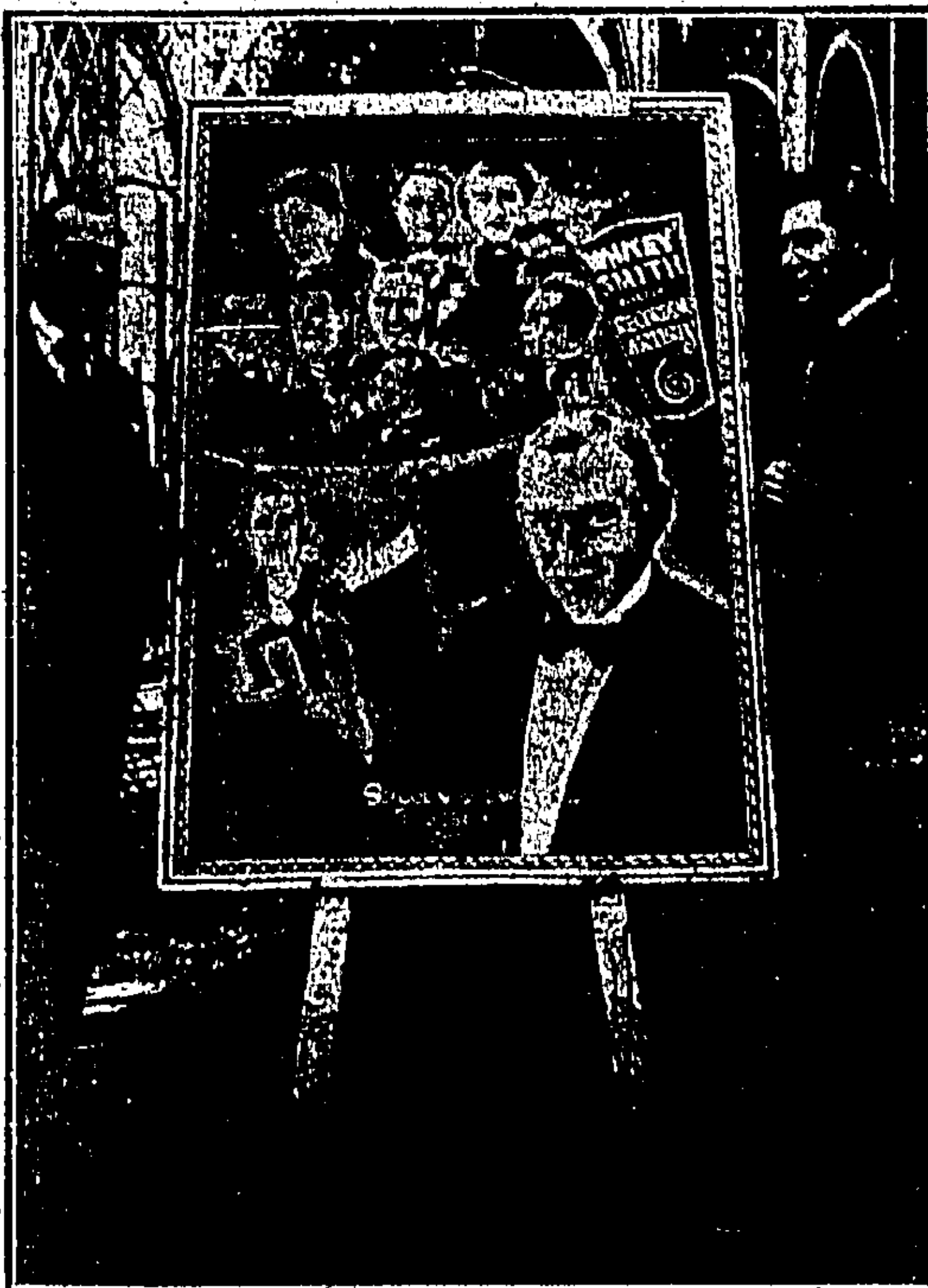
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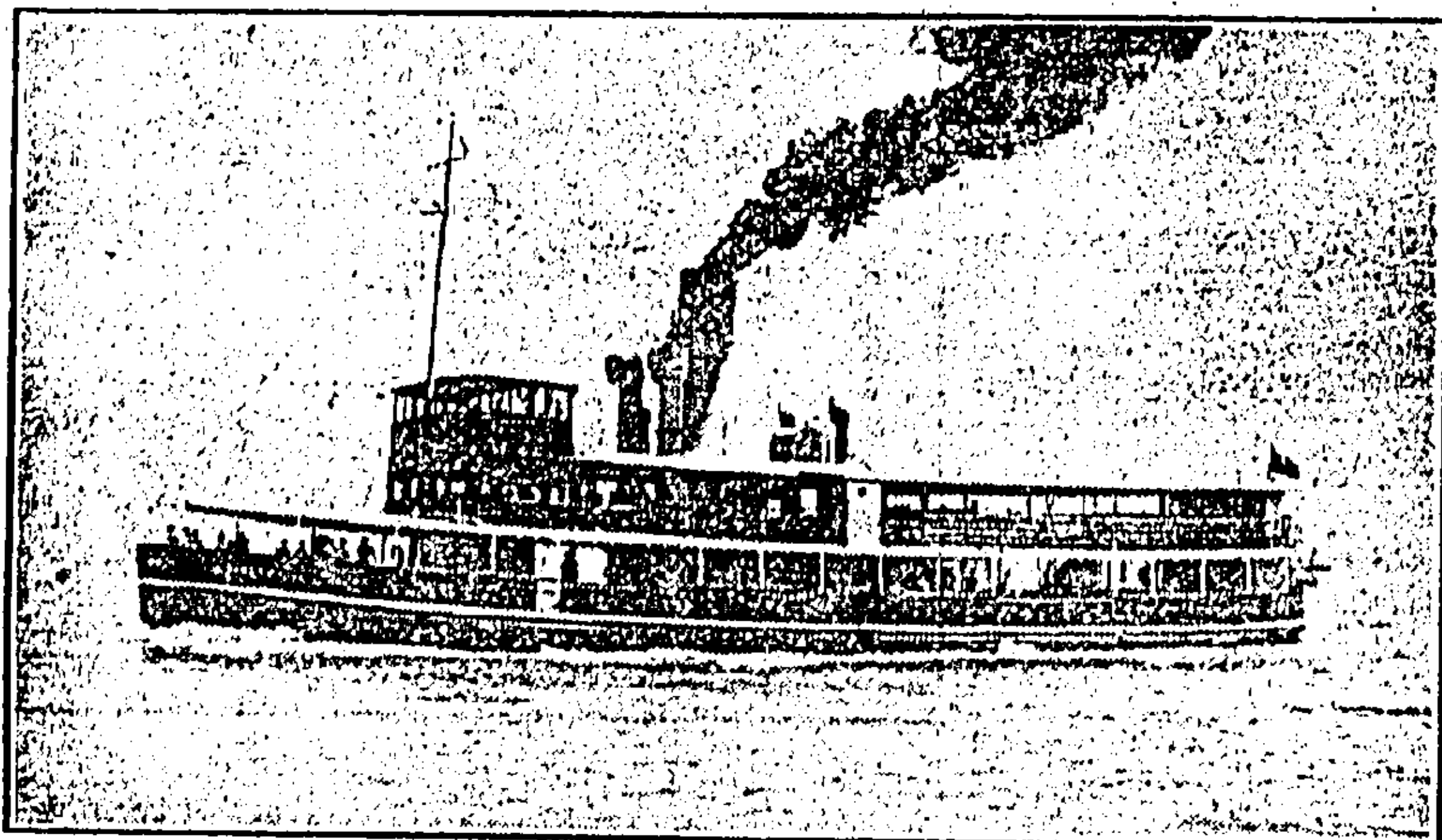
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The s.s. Sui Tai left the Canton Wharf shortly after 3 p.m. and proceeded westward to the Lamma Channel, where the trials were carried out over the measured three miles. The results were as follows:

First run against wind and tide of 17m. 55s. with a return of 10.04 knots. The second run with favourable wind and tide gave 16 min. 55 sec. over three miles, with an average of 10.64. The mean of the two runs was 10.84, being above the contracted speed.

Among those present on board were Mr. J. Arnold, Mr. G. Ellams, Mr. J. M. Alves, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. E. Cook, Mr. N. Garland (G.M.S.), Messrs. J. O. McLaggan, J. S. McIntosh, W. Forsyth, F. C. Goodman, W. Sweeney, technical representatives of the Kowloon Dock, Mr. F. W. James and Mr. W. J. Stokes.

The master of the vessel, is Captain R. Stewart, with Mr. J. Keene as Chief Officer and Mr. T. O. B. Harmon as Chief Engineer. Mr. Figueredo is the purser.

The vessel is now unrecognisable as the craft which was burnt out at the Wing Lok Street Wharf last August. She has been so reconstructed, that her interior simulates the appointments of the s.s. Taihan, while outwardly she is an improved s.s. Kinshan.

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The s.s. Sui Tai will resume on the Macao run at 9 a.m. to-morrow, we are informed.

### JAPAN "SUSPECT."

QUESTION OF CHANG TSO-LIN'S DEATH OF RAILWAY.

Tokyo, Jan. 25.

The bombing of Chang Tso-lin served as ammunition for the opposition's attack on the Government again to-day in the Lower House, when the Budget Committee heard the Minseto spokesman, Seiko Nakano, firing off questions in rapid succession, most of which Baron Tanaka evaded, referring to the suspicious existing both at home and abroad.

Mr. Nakano demanded to know what the Government was doing to clear itself, to which Baron Tanaka replied that he was considering the best means of removing the suspicion, but was unable to say more at present.

The Premier's patience ended when the questioner insisted that the Government was responsible for the arrangements for guarding the crossing where the Sino-Japanese railways crossed, and where Chang Tso-lin was bombed. The Premier retorted, "I can't give permission for every detail. If the Premiers are responsible for every act of Japanese officials abroad, ten thousand Premiers would not be enough."—Reuter.

### FAMINE HORRORS.

THE LIVING UNABLE TO BURY THE DEAD.

Peking, Jan. 25.

The China International Famine Relief Commission has received a report from Sarais, Suiyuan, stating that deaths there from famine causes are so numerous that it is impossible for the authorities to keep pace in burying the dead.

Outside the city, huge heaps of dead are lying, which dogs and wolves are devouring. Forty died in the streets last week, all being thrown on these horrible mounds.

Last week 3,000 bandits, driven desperate by hunger, entered Sarais and tortured all the peasants by pouring red-hot coals into their trousers in an endeavour to force them to reveal any hidden grain.

In one village several hundred robbers ate a mile, the last surviving animal, between them.—Reuter.

### LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page: COAL, COAT, ROAT, BOAS, BIAS, BINS.

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TANDA	6,656	5th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
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Bengal Maru ... .. Wednesday, 30th Jan.

Malacca Maru ... .. Saturday, 9th Feb.

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Tottori Maru ... .. Monday, 28th Jan.

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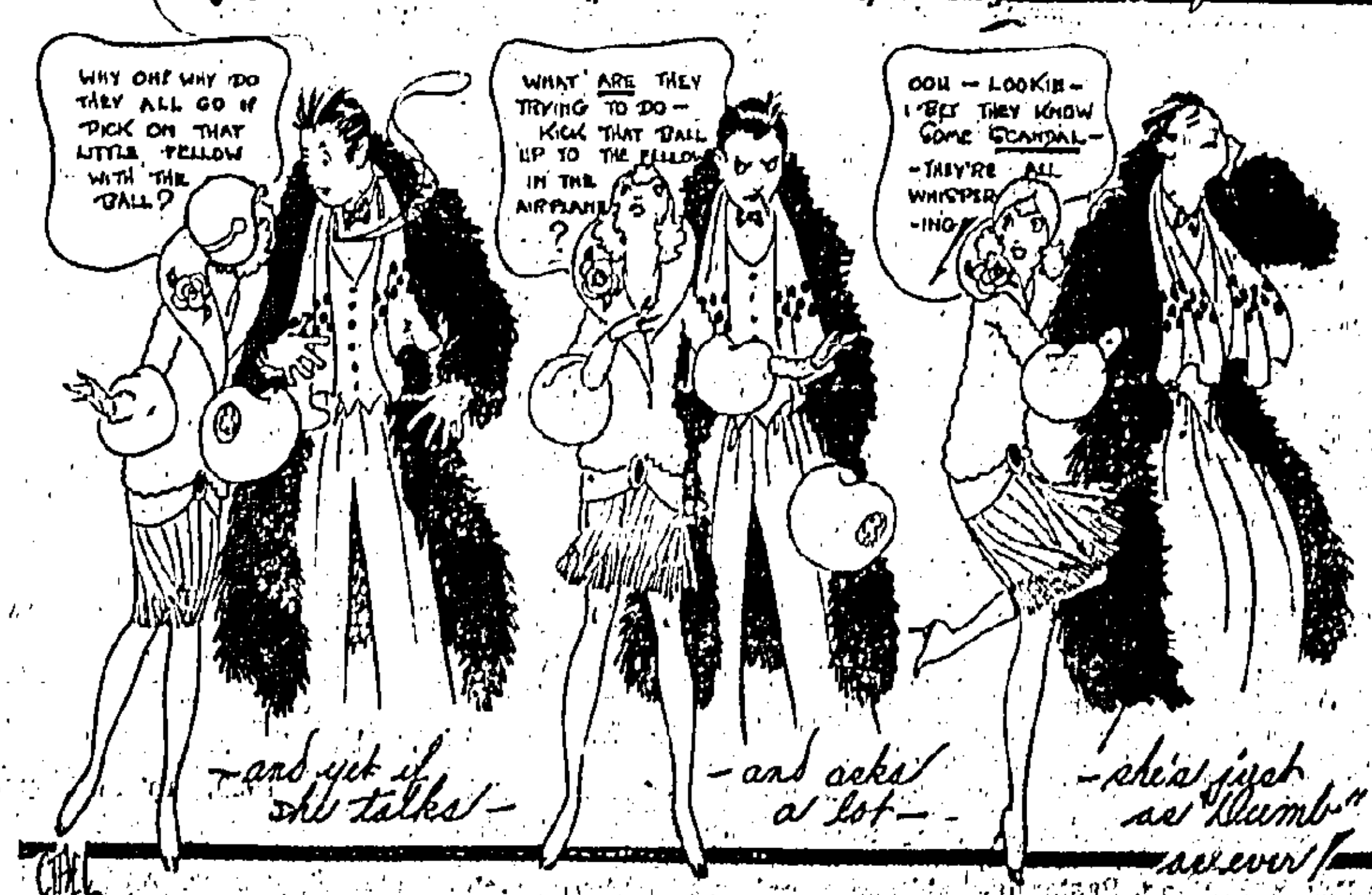
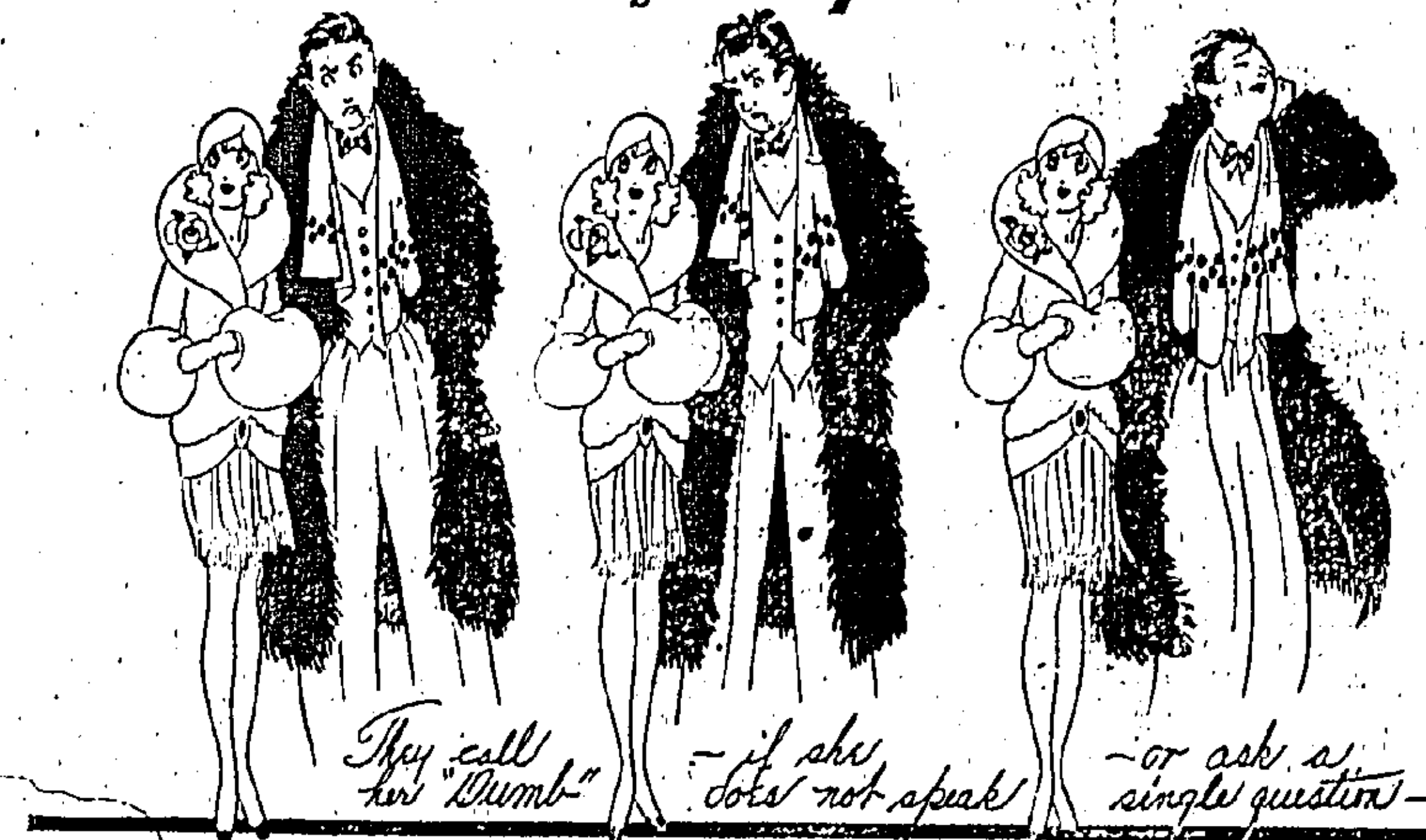
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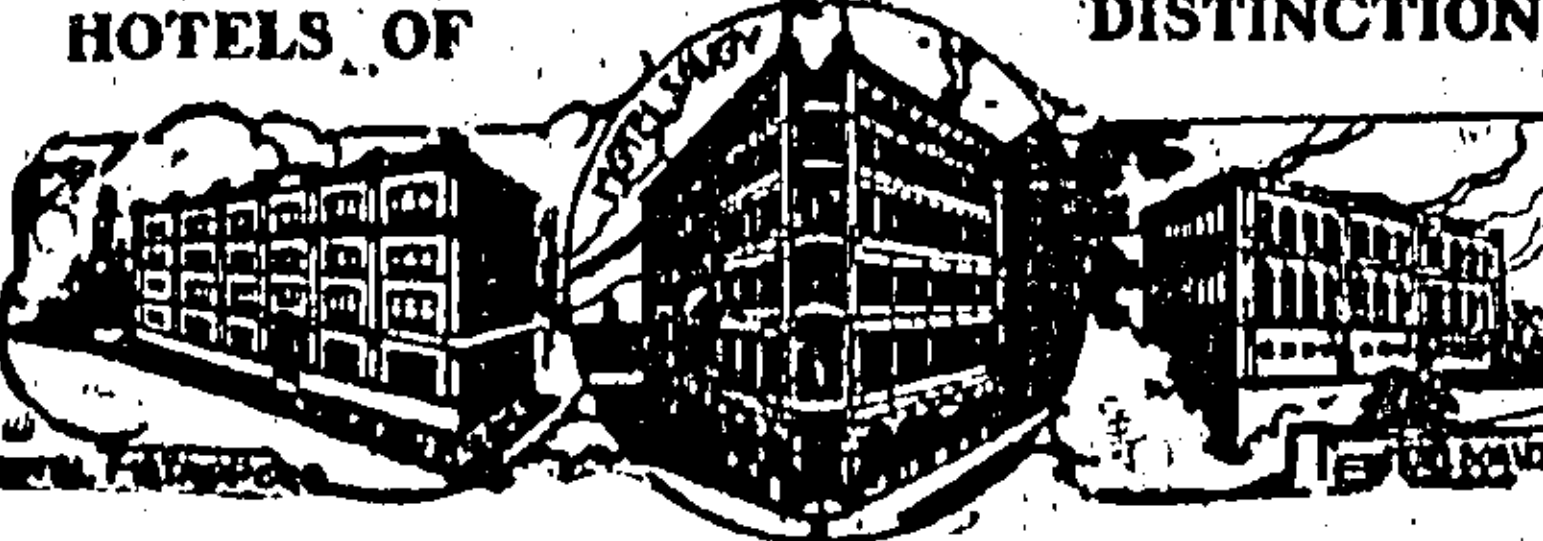


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## CHINESE NAVAL SQUABBLE.

### EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE COMMANDERS RETIRING.

### ONE STILL ADAMANT.

Nanking, Jan. 25.  
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, Chairman of the National Government, has sent his personal adviser, General Ho Ying-ching, to Shanghai to persuade the resigning Commander of the First and Second Squadrons to remain at their posts.

To the representative of Marshal Chiang, Commander Chan Kwei-liang remarked that as a consequence of the resolutions of the Military Conference all hopes for the future development of the Navy have dissolved into thin air. He added that he is leaving Shanghai for good.

Consequent on Marshal Chiang's persuasion, Mr. Chan Shao-kuan, however, indicates that he will postpone his trip to Fukien and it seems that, unlike his colleague, he may comply with the request to remain at his post.

In an official decree, the National Government urges the two commanders to continue their work stating that the Military Conference is being held with the sole object of cutting down superfluous expenditures on the Army and Navy, and if there is any particular development which the naval leaders desire, they should wait for future decisions of the National Defence Commission, which is being formed at the present Conference.

## BANKERS' CLEARING HOUSE BURNT.

### EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS TANGLE IN EDINBURGH.

London, Jan. 8.  
An extraordinary business tangle will probably occur in consequence of the burning out of the Bankers' Clearing House in Edinburgh last night.

The outbreak was the most serious that has occurred in Edinburgh for many years. The flames destroyed the building in an hour. The fire brigade saved the adjoining offices, which are occupied by insurance companies, and the National Portrait Gallery.

The losses of the banks are at present unknown, but it is understood that all the cheques and notes would have been cleared at noon to-day.

## CHINESE RAILWAY ENTERPRISE.

### DISCUSSED AT NANKING BANQUET.

Nanking, Jan. 25.  
The head of the Railway Department, Mr. Sun Fo, gave a dinner party last night in honour of Marshal Li Chai-sum, General Li Chung-yen and other prominent political leaders as well as merchants and bankers from Kwangtung, Yunnan, Kweichow and Kiangsi.

In the course of the evening, views were exchanged in connection with the future development of railway enterprise in south-east China.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Jan. 25.	
Paris	124.075
Brussels	34.90
Amsterdam	12.095
Berlin	20.41
Copenhagen	18.18
Vienna	34.505
Helsingfors	19.24
Lisbon	10.94
Bucharest	80.74
Buenos Aires	47.15/32
Shanghai	2/09
Yokohama	1/10.15/32
New York	4.84 31/32
Geneva	25.205
Milan	32.05
Stockholm	18.14
Oslo	18.19
Prague	10.634
Madrid	20.65
Athens	37.5
Rio	5.29/32
Romney	1/6.1/32
Hongkong	2/0
Silver (spot)	20.3/10
Silver (forward)	20.3/10

—British Wireless.

The annual service of the Hongkong University Christian Association is to be held in St. Stephen's Church, Pokfulam Road, to-morrow at 9.30 a.m. when the preacher will be the Very Rev. Dean Swann. The clergy officiating will be the Rev. C. B. Shann, Warden of St. John's Hostel, and the Rev. S. F. Fong, Pastor-in-Charge of St. Paul's Church.

## SALVATION ARMY LEGAL BATTLE.

### MR. JUSTICE EVE APPEALS TO BOTH SIDES.

### FURTHER ADJOURNED.

London, Jan. 25.  
The question of the leadership of the Salvation Army again came before Mr. Justice Eve in the Chancery Division of the High Court to-day.

Application had been made on behalf of General Bramwell Booth to restrain the High Council of the Army from acting on the resolution declaring him to be physically unfit to remain in office and from proceeding to the appointment of a successor.

The case was further adjourned until next Tuesday to enable the parties to complete their evidence. Addressing counsel, the Judge expressed a sincere hope that every effort would be made to adjust the differences without pursuing a more devious course than necessary.

He added: "However the case should ultimately result, one cannot but appreciate that its continuance is calculated prejudicially to affect the great and benevolent institution of which all your clients are members and to which I have no doubt each and every one of them is loyally attached." —British Wireless.

## MONTE CARLO CRISIS.

### AUTOCRATIC METHODS RESENTED.

Nice, Dec. 23.  
The constitutional crisis in Monaco appears to be more serious than was imagined, and optimistic reports that settlement was in sight were premature. The ordinary visitor probably notices nothing different, but the true Monaco takes an intense interest in the question, and the inhabitants are divided into two hostile camps.

The trouble arises from the attempt of the Prince and his advisers to resume autocratic power, an attempt which has not even the excuse of success. Although under the constitution of 1917 a commission was set up to consider various economic and legislative changes, the Prince soon ceased to summon this commission, and in July, 1918 concluded on his own responsibility a treaty with France.

When the existence of this treaty was revealed a year later, the Monacans became seriously alarmed for their independence. Their resentment against the Prince has been increased by his creation of a Council representing the foreign interests in Monaco as a counter-balance to the National Council—the body which recently resigned in protest.

The present crisis is considered to be all the more regrettable by lovers of the Principality since it has occurred at a time when everybody's attention should be devoted to putting a little more animation and go into Monte Carlo life. The commercial world complains bitterly of the lack of business compared with pre-war days, when Monte Carlo was really gay. Monte Carlo, a town of luxury and pleasure they say, should not only increase the number of its attractions but should modify them in keeping with the modern spirit and modern tastes.

A large place should be given to tennis, dancing, golf, and racing. In short the attractions of the Casino should be supplemented by all those sports which are now the main distraction of the tourist and leisured classes.

## CANTON SHIPPING FACILITIES.

### NECESSITY FOR WHARVES AND GODOWNS.

Canton, Jan. 23.  
As Canton is one of the most important ports in South China and as wharves and godowns are inadequate for shipping purposes, Mr. Ching Tin-ku, President of the Town Planning Committee, has proposed the construction of wharves and godowns west of Honan. He is of opinion that more ships will come to Canton if better facilities are afforded to them.

At present many ships coming to Canton are unable to find wharves to lie alongside and in many cases great difficulty has been experienced by consignees to find a space in which to store their cargo.

Mr. Ching emphasises that the construction of more wharves and godowns at Canton should be carried out without any further delay if the Government desires shipping to improve. —Nam Chung Pao.

Mrs. Helen Latham, of Wigan, who celebrated her 101st birthday just before Christmas draws her old-age pension in person at the post office.

## SOUTH CHINA AIR MAIL SERVICE.

### TWO PLANES TO INAUGURATE NEXT WEEK.

### PAKHOI TO HOIHOW.

In order to facilitate transmission of messages between Pakhoi and Hoihow, the Rehabilitation Headquarters for the Southern Region has decided to establish an aerial mail service between these two places, for which Preparatory Committees have been formed respectively at both ends.

As a start, says the Canton Gazette, two biplanes have recently been purchased from a French firm by General Wong Keong and Mr. Lau Pui-chuen under the instructions of the Rehabilitation Headquarters.

According to the news received from Pakhoi, a vacant piece of ground in front of the premises of the Judicial Court in that port has been selected as the site for the field, while in Hoihow an aerodrome has already been built.

The two planes for the service have been named "Hoihow" and "Limchow," and will be used to carry official documents between Hoihow and Pakhoi as a trial, commencing from February 1st.

As soon as the two planes have demonstrated the practicability of the service, public mail matter will be carried.

At present considerable delay is caused to mails between Pakhoi and Hoihow, although the two ports are not far apart, as the local post offices can only send their mails via the steamers plying between Hongkong and Haiphong.

## GIANT EMBANKMENT PROJECT.

### £20,000,000 PLAN TO RECLAIM ESTUARY.

Schemes to build a massive embankment or bridge across the Duddon Estuary from Millom, Cumberland, to the Lancs coast near Askham, near Barrow-in-Furness, are being revived, and one or more will be considered by Millom Urban District Council during the next few weeks.

To carry out such an undertaking would cost from about £3,000,000 to £20,000,000, according to whether the structure would be suitable for railway and motor traffic with shipways and docks.

One scheme was inaugurated last century, and Parliamentary powers obtained, but the project did not materialise, although preliminary work was started.

There are supposed to be millions of tons of iron ore hundreds of feet below the tide-covered Duddon Estuary. It has been claimed that if the sea could be kept back by an embankment it would be practicable to mine the iron, and also that thousands of acres of land bordering the Earl of Lonsdale's property could be reclaimed from the sea and cultivated.

## BIGGEST GAS COMPANY

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The company has deposited private Bills, which will come before the next session of Parliament, to give it powers to take over

The Pinner Gas Company, covering an area of about 25 square miles, and the Grays and Tilbury Gas Company, which covers an area of 160 square miles bounded by Rainham, Grays, Tilbury, Stanford-le-Hope, Rayleigh (just short of Leigh-on-Sea), Hadleigh, Wickford, and Billerica.

The increased area to be supplied by the company would then be 450 miles.

It is notified for general information that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to reserve the whole of the Wongnei-chong Recreation Ground for naval exercises on Wednesday, 30th January, 1929, up to 1 p.m. A priority of right is already reserved for such use on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays in each week.

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